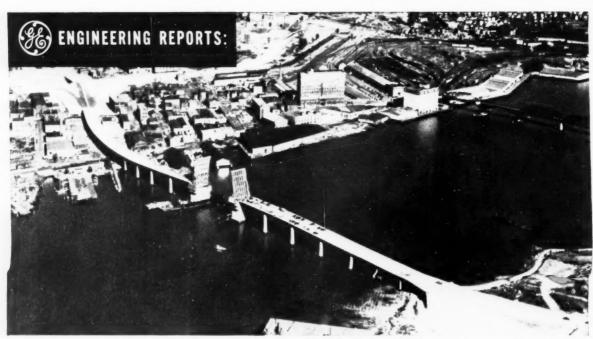
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MOTORISTS SAVE 10 TO 30 MINUTES crossing from Norfolk to Portsmouth via the new G-E equipped bridge and tunnel.

Bridge is 4-lane, 2135 ft between abutments. Bascule span is of the double-leaf, rolling-lift type with leaves each 90 ft long.

## Bridge's drive system helps speed 29,000 cars per day

## G-E equipment at Portsmouth - Norfolk Bridge gives fast movement, positive control of leaves

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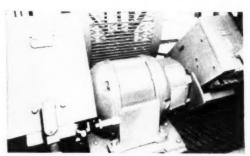
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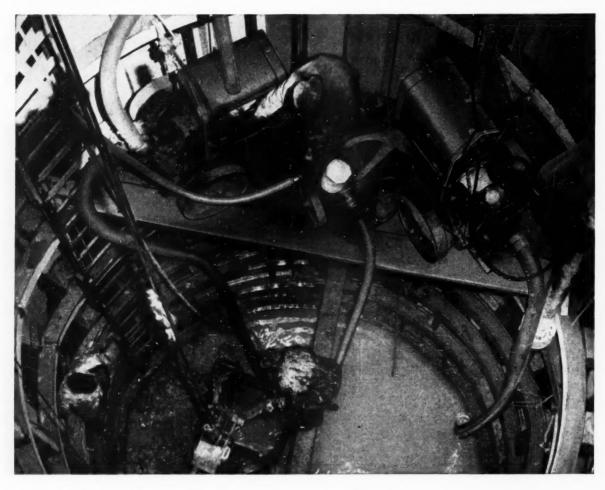


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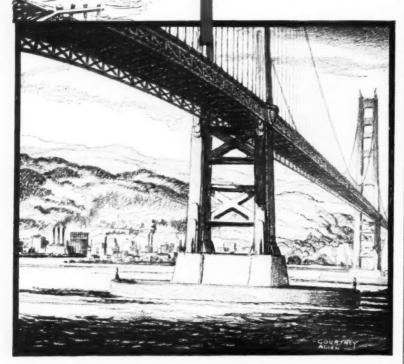
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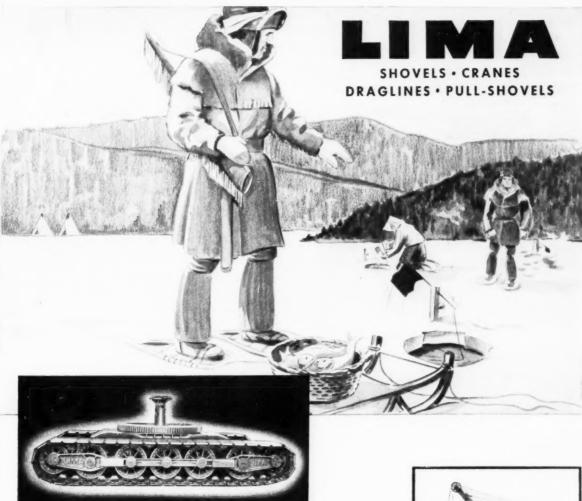
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- **30.** DON'T abandon any explosives. Dispose of or destroy them in strict accordance with the methods recommended by the manufacturer.
- **31.** DON'T store cases of dynamite so that the cartridges stand on end.
- **32.** DON'T leave dynamite, black blasting powder, or pellet powder in a field or any place where livestock can get at them.
- 33. DON'T take surplus quantities of permissible dynamite, black blasting powder, or pellet powder into a mine at any one time. These explosives deteriorate rapidly in a damp atmosphere.
- 34. DON'T use black blasting powder or pellet powder with permissible explosives or dynamite, nor dynamite with permissible explosives, in the same bore hole in a coal mine.



- **35.** DON'T tamp pellet powder in a bore hole hard enough to crush the pellets, because of danger of premature explosion.
- **36.** DON'T store blasting caps or electric blasting caps in the same box, container, or magazine with other explosives.
- **37.** DON'T leave blasting caps or electric blasting caps exposed to the direct rays of the sun.
- 38. DON'T insert a wire, a nail, or any other implement into the (Continued on page 28)



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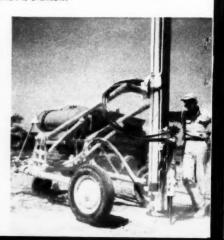
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CONTRACTORS . . . get set for a big highway year.

Construction contracts budgeted for 1953 by 44 states, the District of Columbia and 7 Turnpike Authorities are up 44% above the record volume in 1952. But most of this gain is in toll roads. Activity will be up 370% above 1952 on these super highways. The states are scheduling 9% more contracts on their larger free system of roads and bridges. Budgets in to date add up to \$1.5 billion on the free system, \$700 million for toll roads, scheduled for awards this year.

Controls are off if you can find somebody who will sell. The outlook is generally good for supply of materials and equipment, but you'll have to rustle for good men. Engineers are critically short in 26 states and moderately short in 19. Shortages are expected to continue in 39 states. Highway labor is critically short in 4 states, moderately short in 19, but in comfortable supply in 15 states and in good supply in 8. Labor shortages are expected to continue in 20 states, but 6 expect the supply to improve and 21 expect it to be adequate.

Cement is critically short in Ohio and moderately short now in 11 states, but only 8 states expect shortages to continue in 1953

Steel shortages are expected by 15 states in structural shapes and by 6 states in reinforcing, but 28 states look for improvement in supplies of structurals and 19 states expect reinforcing supplies to improve.

Moderate equipment shortages are reported by 10 states, but only 4 expect improved supplies and 33 states expect adequate supplies for work budgeted.

#### How the Economy Directive Affects Federal Construction

The Eisenhower-Dodge economy directive is going to mean a one- to two-month slowdown in awarding the bulk of federal construction contracts.

Military and Naval works make up the biggest part of the government's award schedule. Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson lost no time in putting out an order to all three services to award no contracts after February 7 until cleared by the Secretary. The order means that projects not yet placed under contract must be submitted to construction headquarters of the services in WashingIt will be up to the services to show that each project is essential. This requirement takes precedence over a second test: That project costs are in line with the economy order. Where two services are involved, as when the Army Engineers build for the Air Force, it will take more time and paperwork to justify a job.

The military services wanted to sign construction contracts at a rate of \$200 million to \$300 million a month in February, March and April. Awards may be set back \$500 million, but the effect need not be disastrous. Advertising of proposals and taking of bids are going forward without interruption. Once a project is cleared by Wilson, it can be awarded to the low bidder. For the year, the gross total of awards may be no less than it would have been without the freeze.

At press time no similar drastic measure had been taken on civil public works. The Secretary of the Army had issued no order to freeze awards on flood control and navigation projects of the Corps of Engineers. Those jobs are being reviewed closely by the Engineers themselves.

For Interior agencies like the Reclamation Bureau, the effect was equally mild. Secretary Douglas McKay on February 13 ordered field offices to submit to him for clearance all contract awards over \$10,000. Up to that time, regional offices of the Reclamation Bureau, for example, had been able to make awards up to \$200,000. But the new Interior directive is expected to cause little delay in awarding contracts.

Longer time—probably two weeks or more—will be required to clear contracts for new starts. Here, the agency has to prove that the project is essential. But new starts are few in the construction schedule of the Reclamation Bureau, to cite Interior's biggest construction agency.

In addition to checking new contract awards, construction agencies of the government are reviewing projects under construction to determine whether money could be saved and the best interests of the nation served by stopping work on any of them. Defense Secretary Wilson put out the strictest directive on this point. He asked for data on all projects that were less than 20% completed February 10.

No work is to be stopped while the projects are reviewed. And you can bet none will be stopped after the review has been completed. Cancelling a contract would cost the government plenty. The contractor would have unshakable grounds for damages.

The economy order does not apply to state and local federal-aid programs, for highways, hospitals, schools, community facilities and low-rent public housing.

#### SOME BIG CONTRACT AWARDS OF THE MONTH

Turner Const. Co., 1500 Walnut St., Phila., Pa. Garage, Walnut, 18 and 19 Sts., for Phila. Parking Authority, Packard Bldg., Phila., Pa., \$809,000.

Bechtel Corp., 220 Bush St., San Francisco, Calif. Nickel smelter plant for Hanna Coal & Ore Corp. and Hanna Nickel Smelting Co., Riddell, Ore., \$20,000,000.

Hendrickson Bros., 63 N. Central Ave., Valley Stream, N. Y., lateral sewers for Board of Supervisors. Nassau Co., Old Court House, Mineola, N. Y., \$1,799.335.

M. W. Kellogg Co., 225 Broadway, New York 7, 60-bbl-per-day crude distillation unit at Linden, N. J. for Esso Standard Oil Co., 15 W. 51st St., New York 9, \$6-7,000,000.

Booth & Flinn Co., 1942 Forbes St., and Ferguson & Edmondson Co., Keystone Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa., 1,000,000-kw Kyger Creek power plant, Cheshire, Ohio, for Ohio Valley Electric Co., 30 Church St., New York 8, \$6,500,000.

Sam W. Emerson Co., 1836 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, Ohio shopping center, including large department store on 80-acre site, Elyria, Ohio, for M. O'Neil Co., 226 S. Main St., Akron. Ohio and Weinberg and Teare, Citizens Bldg., Cleveland, \$4,500,000.

Sollitt Construction Co., 301 Columbia St., South Bend 24, Ind. 1,200,000-(Continued on page 20)



## but DW20s maintain schedule at Old Hickory

The Old Hickory Lock and Dam project, in Tennessee, calls for moving 1,700,000 yards of heavy, fat clay. Roads are spongy, grades are steep. But H. N. Rodgers & Sons Co., of Memphis, have kept up to schedule.

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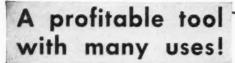
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#### Some Big Jobs of the Month

kw Clifty Creek power plant near Madison, Ind., for Indiana-Kentucky Electric Co., 30 Church St., New York 8, \$8,000,000.

C. H. Leavell Co., 1900 Wyoming St., El Paso, Tex., airmen's dormitories, mess and administration buildings, Lincoln Air Force Base for U. S. Engineers, 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, \$4,586,347.

Baldwin Co., Wallace Bldg., Little Rock, Ark. 100,000 sq ft main section aluminum fabrications plant, Jones Mill, Ark., for General Motors Corp., Fabricast Div., Bedford, Ind., \$3,000,-000.

Turner Construction Co., 105 W. Adams St., Chicago 3, Ill. 10-story office building Wacker Dr. and Randolph St. for John W. Galbreath & Co., 42 E. Gay St., Columbus, Ohio, \$5,000,000.

Kansas City Bridge Co., 928 Broadway and Massman Const. Co., 20 W. 9th St., Kansas City, Mo. lift railway bridge over Columbia River at Pasco, Wash., for Northern Pacific Ry. Co., St. Paul, Minn., \$4,000,000.

Rust Engineering Co., 575 Sixth Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa., facilities at Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory, West Milton, N. Y., for U. S. Atomic Energy Comm., Schenectady, \$3,365,-

Daniel Construction Co., P. O. Box 2087, Greenville, S. C., ward buildings at South Carolina State Hospital, Columbia, S. C., for State Mental Health Comm., State Capitol, Columbia, S. C., \$2,227,000.

McManus Framing Co., 40 Federal Hy, Boca Raton, Fla. 1,000 residences for Florida Boca Raton Housing Assn., Boca Raton, \$8,000,000.

Nello L. Teer Co., Box 1131, Durham, N. C., grading, draining 3 mi West Virginia Turnpike, Kanawha Co., \$2,952,436.

Paul Smith Const. Co., 3103 N. W. 20th St., Miami, Fla., sewage treatment plant on Virginia Key, \$9,217,-563.

P. J. Walker Co., 3900 Whiteside Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. Brewery plant ner Van Nuys, Calif., for Joseph I. Schlitz Brewing Co., Milwaukee, \$20,000,000.

Mississippi Valley Structural Steel Co., 3117 Big Bend Rd., St. Louis, Mo., furnishing, erecting structural steel, Clifty Creek powerhouse, Madison, Ind., for Indiana-Kentucky Electric Co., \$5,000,000.

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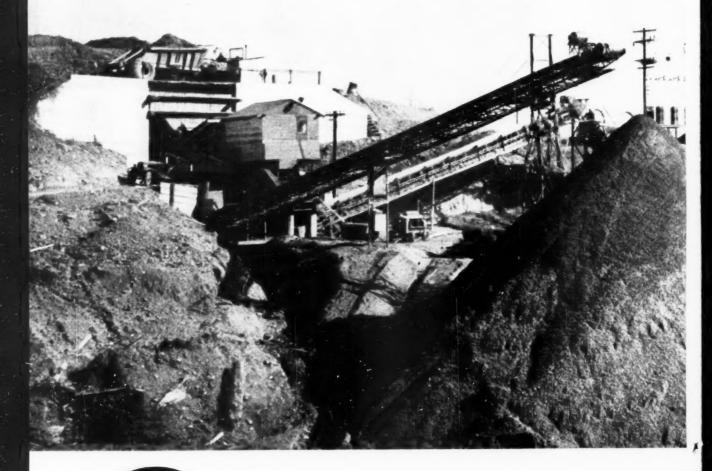
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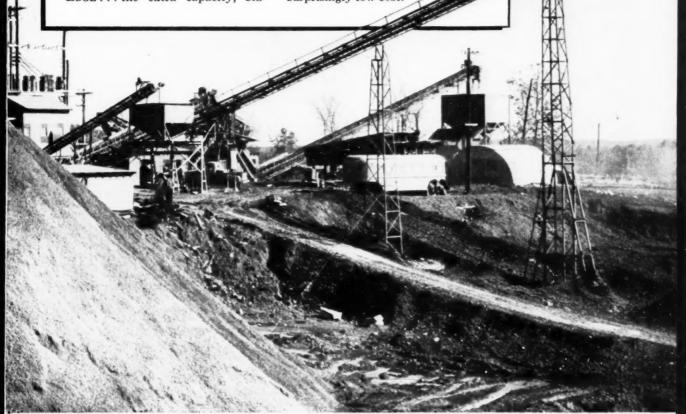
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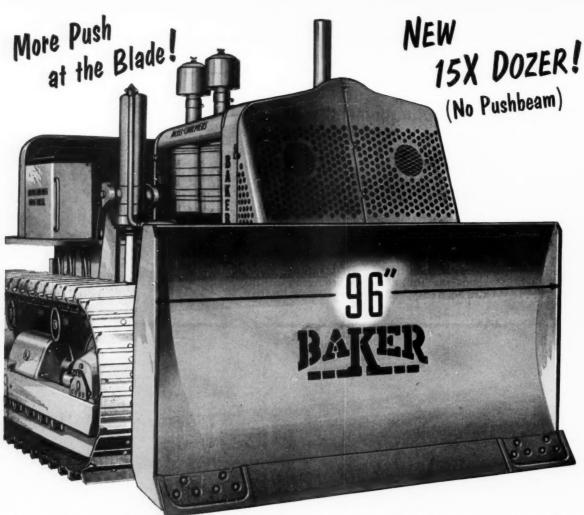
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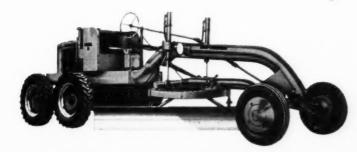
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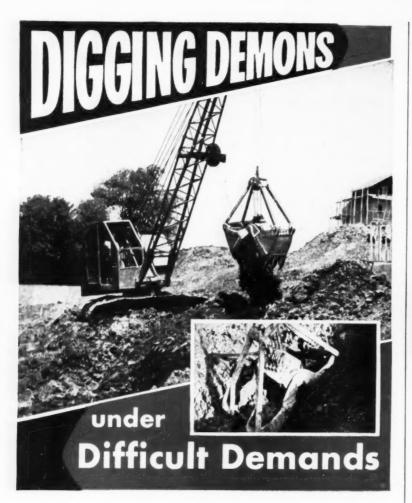
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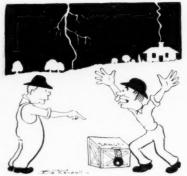
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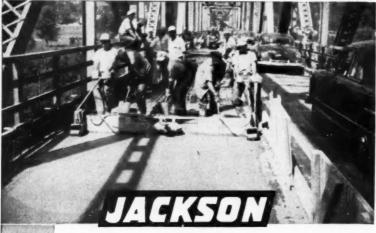
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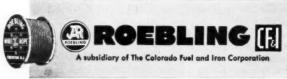
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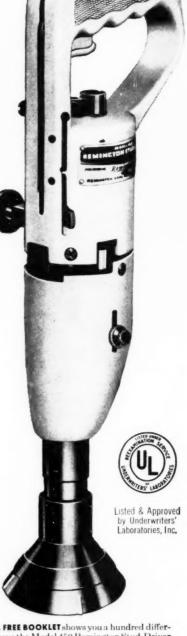
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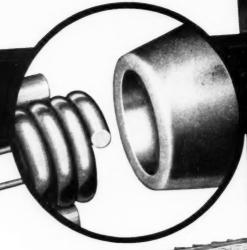


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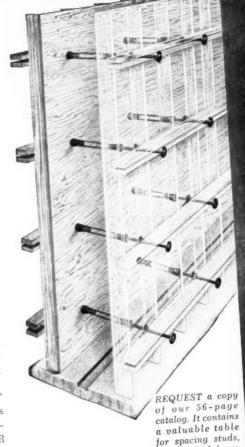


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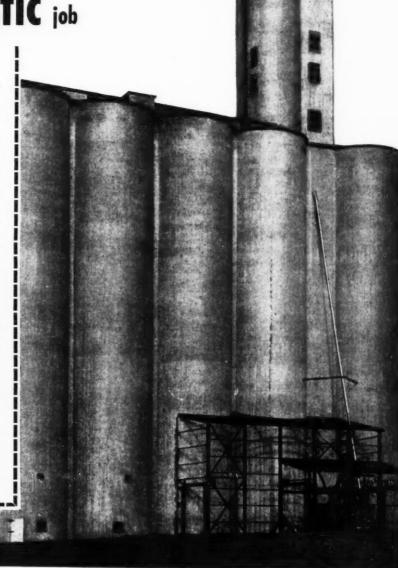
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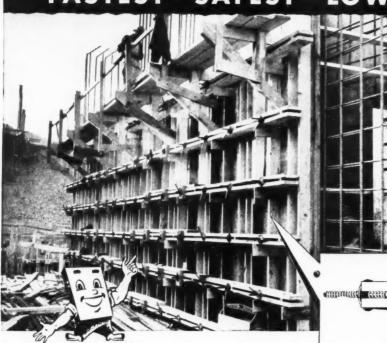
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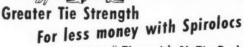
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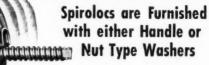
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#### Construction News in Pictures...



USEFUL HUNGRY HORSE—Truckload of logs rolls across the arcing top of Hungry Horse Dam in Montane, after passing under traveling gantry in the background. New road is in limited commercial use for logging operations clearing a 47-mi Forest Service road up the west side of the Bureau of Reclamation's new reservoir, to open up a new area of marketable timber. Dam has two turbines producing electricity at present.



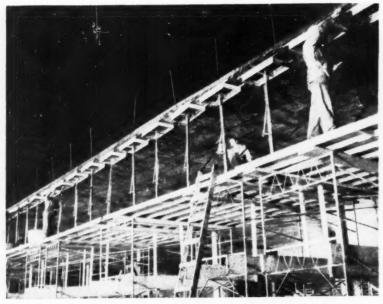
FOR HIGHWAY DRAINAGE—Parsons trencher digs 18 in. wide and 24 in. deep along slab of concrete highway in New York State. A thin layer of gravel is spread along the bottom and 6-in. vitrified clay pipe laid to drain water away more quickly to prevent pavement damage. Gravel is filled in to 1 in. above the pipe and excavated dirt bladed back. Contractor is Brunner Asphalt & Construction, Inc., Buffalo.



**DOUBLE-ENDER**—This Caterpillar D8 means business at both ends. Here it is loading lodge pole pine with its Hyster Hystaway for the trip to a nearby sawmill at Cascade, Idaho. Its front

end mounts a Caterpillar dozer to help clear the area for subsequent dredging of monaxite, a rare mineral. Machine is owned by J. I. Morgan, Inc., of New Meadows. (Continued on next page)

#### Construction News in Pictures . . . Continued



INSULATING THE CEILING—Special jacks press 3-in. asphalt-enclosed Fiberglas insulating board against a similar layer on the ceiling of the new cold storage plant of the U. S. Army Quartermaster Corps in Alameda, Calif. Before placing, the Fiberglas board was sprayed with Laykold insulation adhesive for bonding. Here, 7-in. skewers are being inserted diagonally to help tie both layers together. Subcontractor, Fiberglas Engineering and Supply Co., worked from 4,400 sq ft of rolling scaffolding. General contractor Trewhitt-Shields and Fisher built the special jacks.

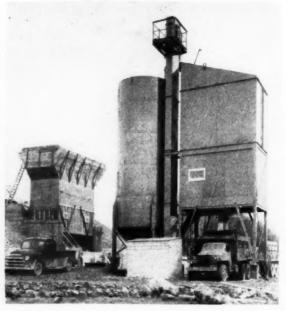


PILE-PULLER— Concrete piles ranging to 30 ft long are being pulled successfully with this steel ring and its four integral pressure pads. The 38-in. OD ring is made of 4x3-in. stock. Cables from the crane exert pressure through two-point suspension links.

—Photo from CEC Bulletin.



TIMBER SAVES THE DAY—Carpenters quickly covered with timber the 300x100-ft hole broken into the floor of the Union Station in Washington, D. C., by a runaway train five days before President Eisenhower's inaugural. The locomotive is on the floor below. Within 72 hr after the accident, virtually all scars had been removed. The National Lumber Manufacturers Assn. rightly points with pride to a good job done quickly thanks to the versatility and easy fabrication of lumber.



TWO FIRSTS—Heltzel Steel Form and Iron Co. claims these to be the first fully automatic, electronically controlled batching plants. They, incidentally, are pouring out the first dry batches for the Ohio Turnpike—for twin bridges near Cleveland being built by the Horvitz Co. Precision-designed to meet the rigid specifications of the Ohio Turnpike Commission, the combination of cement batcher (foreground) and aggregates batcher (left rear) can turn out 250 yd per hr.



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## **By-passing Sherman Hill grade**

## How a relocation job on the U.P. will speed west-bound rail traffic

For years the Union Pacific's long grade over 8,014 foot Sherman Hill in south-castern Wyoming has been known as an engine-killer. It was to boost trains up that slope west of Cheyenne that U. P. built the famous "Big Boy" locomotives. Now the mighty helper engines are headed for the same fate as the buffalo. A new 42-mile main line, with easier grades, is being built to the south.

Railroad relocation accounts for a considerable share of U. S. construction right now. It is a natural consequence of the swing to Diesel locomotives—longer trains—longer passing tracks. The roads are doing some of this work with their own off-track equipment. In other cases, where more earthmoving must be done, construction firms are being called in. The Union Pacific project is probably the biggest of the lot. It will cost \$16,000,000 and involves the moving of 2,500,000 yards of rock. 4,000,000 yards of carth.

When the two-year job is finished, the U. P. expects to cut 15 minutes from its west-bound running time and use main line locomotives all the way through.

The contractors, Morrison-Knudsen Company, Inc., have assembled a big array of "Caterpillar" equipment on this job. "Cat" Diesel Engines power the shovels and compressors. Big yellow D8 Tractors, Bulldozers and Scrapers handle the shorter hauls. And speedy "Caterpillar" DW20 wheel-type Tractors, with No. 20 Scrapers, make eight round trips per hour over a one-mile haul distance.

These machines are constructing 111 major fills, up to 164 feet in height; installing hundreds of drainage culverts;



A "Cat" Diesel D397 Engine provides the lugging power for this Manitowoo 5-yard shovel, making a cut for the new U.P. main line near Sherman Hill, Wuoming.

Worthington compressors, mounted on sturdy "Caterpillar" Ds Tractors, drill blast holes in rock for Morrison-Knudsen Co., Inc.

and blasting through solid red granite to make cuts, one of them 140 feet deep and requiring the removal of 350,000 cubic yards of rock.

Morrison-Knudsen's reputation for putting big contracts through on time has a solid foundation in the tough, dependable "Caterpillar" machines that make up such a large proportion of the firm's equipment,

One of Morrison-Knudsen's big, husky yellow "Caterpillar" DW20s and No. 20 Scrapers picks up a 20-yard load for a fast run to the fill.





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### Coming Up: More and Better Equipment

THERE'S BIG DOINGS in the construction equipment world today. Just trying to keep track of the mergers, consolidations and buying-up of various companies makes one dizzy. And those manufacturers who aren't consolidating or buying out other firms are hard at work on new products and improvements of present models. It all adds up to mighty good news to the buyer and user of equipment.

Let's take a quick look at what has happened recently, and what's in the cards as they're being dealt today. First of all, it is apparent that the major tractor manufacturers who don't now have rubber-tired equipment, are bound and determined to get on the rubber bandwagon.

Caterpillar did it not so long ago by a successful effort with the DW20 and DW21 rigs, stepping up the old DW10 line. Allis-Chalmers did it by buying LaPlant-Choate, giving A-C a nice line of rubber-tired wagons, tractors and a new array of scrapers, and, of course, a hold on the long-established LP-C bulldozers. What this means to Baker and Gar Wood, former staunch affiliates of Allis-Chalmers, is still a puzzle to the customer—but we'll bet those firms are somehow going to carry on and stay in business with a bang, too.

International Harvester needs rubber to keep up with the parade, so it stepped out and bought the Hough Payloader front-end loaders as a starter. Rumors of further purchases by IHC in the rubber line have died down with the realization that Harvester probably is going to come out with its own line of big wheel tractors. Remember, too, Pullman Standard bought Isaacson not long ago, and continued

Isaacson's former relationship with Harvester. Bucyrus-Erie also is very much in this International picture with a long-time supply of scrapers for Harvester tractors. Just what the outcome of this situation will be is anybody's guess. But again, we'll predict that both Pullman and Bucyrus-Erie scrapers will be moving dirt for a long time to come.

Gar Wood stepped out and acquired a line of trenching and backhoe equipment, and then came out with a shovel of the company's own design. Don't sell these fellows short in the future equipment picture. Mack and White are furnishing the big truck rigs for earthmoving, and Dart now claims the biggest of all end-dump trucks, 60 tons capacity. Pettibone-Mulliken is constantly expanding its line of construction equipment by purchasing firm after firm.

You can discount rumors about Adams, LeTourneau and Euclid being in the market for consolidation. These are three stalwart firms we'll predict will remain independent and aloof.

Biggest conjecture at the moment is; What will General Motors do? It is no secret now that GM has hired engineers from other equipment manufacturers, and intends to step out into production of construction equipment. Just how soon and how far is problematical at the moment. But GM is certain to become a big factor in the equipment field in the not-so-distant future.

Why all these mergers and consolidations? Just a determination on the part of firms involved to round out their lines, present a bigger and better package of equipment to their customers, and to remain in top competitive position. But these mergers are only a part of the picture of what's happening in the construction equipment field. The rest of the story lies in new models and improvements announced or planned by practically every manufacturer. You users of construction equipment are changing over from beggars to buyers—and the manufacturers know it. They realize if they can't now offer you something better than they ever have before, you won't be interested—because the other fellow will hand you something newer and better than you ever had before.

So the manufacturers are going to have to produce, and sell something new and better, or you won't be interested. They're in a highly competitive market for the first time in years. And you buyers are calling the shots.

Out of all this comes a better day for the contractor and user of equipment. You're going to have faster, more efficient equipment at your disposal. You can choose and select as you never have before. And you're going to find the manufacturers ever more solicitous of your desires and needs. And that goes for every type of equipment from small power tools to the largest earthmovers.

You buyers of equipment will never have had it so good, and you'll be equipping your jobs better than ever. That means more efficient, faster and better construction—which, after all, is the basis of an ever-expanding America.

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PANORAMA OF CONSTRUCTION AREA for Folsom Dam. (1) 3,300-ft conveyor belt for aggregates crosses the American River on a suspension bridge spanning 500 ft between piers: (2) diver-

sion tunnel outlet; (3) excavation, preliminary formwork and concrete for 162,000-kw power plant. Three-hundred-foot long concrete wall protects against high water in winter, becomes part of perma-

### Concrete Placed off Trestle at Folsom

HIGH WATER notwithstanding, construction goes forward steadily on Folsom Dam on the American River near Sacramento, Calif. This Corps of Engineers project is a big one; contract is for \$29,400,000. Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corp., New York, and the Savin Construction Corp., Hartford, Conn., are joint contractors.

Folsom Dam is part of an overall plan for development of the American River Basin and will provide flood control protection, as well as irrigation ond power. Its 162,000-kw power plant is being built by the Guy F. Atkinson Co. of San Francisco, under a contract with the Bureau of Reclamation.

The dam's main concrete section will be 1,400 ft long. Wing embankments of rock and earth extend its length to more than 2 mi. Height will be approximately 340 ft and three penstock tunnels, each 15½ ft in dia, will feed water to the power plant.

Construction of the dam requires

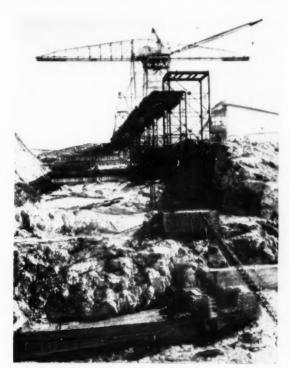


STEEL TRESTLE starting from left abutment will cross river section to serve concreting operations. Rail car brings loaded concrete buckets to cranes. Earthfill cofferdam in right background now has been washed away by high water,



nent structure; (4) earthfill right abutment of dam; (5) excavated section of trestle from which concrete pouring operations are han-

dled. Trestle will be extended across river and concrete and inciarea for the 1,400-ft concrete section of the dam; (6) completed dental materials placed by one hammerhead and two revolving cranes: (7) diversion tunnel inlet.



LOOKING UP THE AREA cleaned off for the left abutment. Concreting has started in the background, trestle construction continues. About 50% of trestle will be encased in concrete of dam.



EXCAVATION TO BEDROCK goes on, and more foundations for trestle are under construction. Since picture was taken, heavy rains have sent river down foreground area, washing out several structures.



AGGREGATES CONVEYOR BEGINS at far right where trucks dump into bunkers, suspension bridge carries it across river. Rectangles

in foreground are settling basins for waste water from batch plant. Powerplant tail race is under construction at right.



CONCRETE PLANT is a \$1,000,000 installation by Johnson Co. and York Corp. Refrigeration and ice equipment cools batches to 50 deg on hottest days. Capacity is 225 yd per hr.



SWIVELING SPOUT on rapid-cycling batch plant charges three 4-yd Koehring mixers alternately with sand, cement, gravel and ice.



NOT PLAYED BY EAR, but controlled electrically to extreme accuracy, is the Johnson batch plant, operated by a single operator.

the excavation of more than 9,-000,000 yd of earth and rock. It is estimated that 1,108,000 yd of concrete will be poured and some 8,800,000 yd of fill will go into the wing dikes.

Flow of the river has been diverted through a 1,500-ft diversion tunnel by an earth cofferdam directly upstream of the damsite. Since the diversion tunnel can handle only 12,000 sec ft of water, it was expected fully that high water during the winter would breach the cofferdam and, accordingly, precautionary measures were rushed so that construction could continue during the winter even if the cofferdam broke.

The cofferdam broke earlier than expected, under pressure from heavy rains. Although most equipment had been moved out of the way, failure of the barrier caused damage estimated around \$350,000, due to sections of steel trestle, a large amount of lumber and some pumps being carried away by the flood.

At the power-plant site downstream, damage was not extensive because a protective rock-fill cofferdam, reinforced by sheet piling, and a 300-ft concrete wall, a permanent part of the power plant, had been constructed hastily to protect the partly completed plant under just such circumstances.

It's a big job, and things are



CONVEYOR TERMINATES at the concrete plant after winding like boxes at several points which can be used as transfer stations. up the hill. It is covered to exclude sun, rain and wind, has hopper-

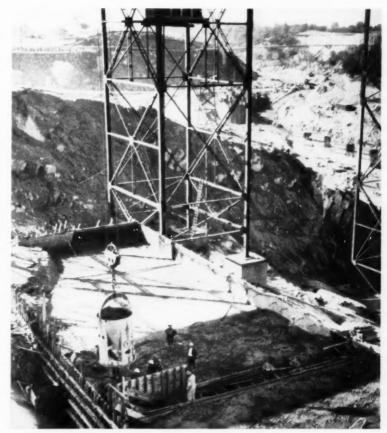
Aggregates are re-screened at end of conveyor.

done in a big way at Folsom. Aggregates are obtained 3 mi downstream where materials are loaded by shovels and draglines, hauled by truck one-half mile upstream to the crushing and screening plant which has a capacity of 700 tons per hr and turns out sand and four sizes of stone.

Trucks haul aggregates from the stockpiles and dump into a receiving "boot" on the right bank of the river just below the powerhouse tail race construction area. From here, aggregates travel via a 3,300-ft U-shaped belt conveyor across to the left bank, up a long slope and around to the top of a low hill where they feed into the batch plant-located about 200 yd from the left-bank abutment of the dam. Material leaving the conveyor is re-screened before entering the batch-plant bins.

Concrete production and pouring are handled in one of the most modern plants conceivable. The C. S. Johnson Co. and the York Corp. have come up with a joint \$1,000,-000 design that will produce 225 cu yd per hr, with attendant refrigeration equipment that permits capacity production of batches cooled to 50 deg on the hottest day.

York Corp. equipped the insulated installation with the latest in ice manufacturing and refrigeration equipment. Ice goes into the mix when required and cement,



CONCRETE POURING for the dam is done with 4-yd Blaw-Knox buckets placed by one of the cranes on the trestle over head. Buckets are loaded at the mixing plant; a small rail car brings them to the trestle. Concrete section will be 1,400 ft long, 340 ft high.



POWERHOUSE CONSTRUCTION by the Guy F. Atkinson Co. advances under a contract with the Bureau of Reclamation. It is located at the foot of the river's right bar lights are placed all over the site.

at the foot of the river's right bank, will produce 162,000 kw. Flood-lights are placed all over the site.



WAGON DRILLS BORE down to bedrock in the stream bed below the dam for excavation of material that has to be removed in ad-

vance of concreting the spillway. Air for the drills comes via a long pipeline from compressors on the left bank,

delivered at 150 deg, is cooled as it goes through screws to mixers. Cold air is circulated through the aggregates, except the sand.

Johnson automatic batching control and recording, run by a single operator, makes for fast cycling time and keeps three 4-yd Koehring tilting mixers discharging regularly into a hopper that loads the 4-yd Blaw-Knox buckets used to pour the lifts in the dam.

Unfavorable terrain made the contractors decide against the use of a cableway to place concrete in the dam. Instead, a steel trestle is being extended from the left bank across the river bed parallel to the dam. A small diesel-powered locomotive and rail car haul buckets with concrete from batch plant out to the trestle.

#### Three Cranes on Trestle

On the trestle is a large hammerhead crane, gantry-mounted and traveling back and forth on rails, which lifts loaded buckets from the rail car and lowers them to areas being poured in the dam. The hammerhead is flanked on each end of the trestle by a 40-ton Washington Iron Works revolving crane, also operating from a gantry traveling on the rails used by the hammerhead. These two end cranes set steel, handle materials as necessary, and assist the larger crane in placing concrete.

Although high water is delaying some operations across the normal stream bed, concreting is being carried on along the left abutment higher up on the bank.

#### This Happens Too Often

OUR BEST SAFETY EFFORTS seem hopelessly inadequate when similar accidents keep occurring chiefly because another man has decided on the spur of the moment to take a chance.

It happened again recently down South when a 20-yr-old oiler got himself caught in the 8-in. space between the cab frame and the crawler track of the dragline he was oiling while it was in motion. There were no eyewitnesses, but it was apparent that he was lubricating the left travel sprocket without telling the operator. When the cab swung, he was trapped and received fatal injuries.

The dragline was being operated by the oiler's father.



MOLES AWARD WINNERS for 1953 receive their bronze plaques for outstanding achievement in construction. Shown are George F. Ferris, Moles second vice-president, who presented non-member award to Peter Kiewit; Mr. Kiewit; Edward P. Palmer, member award winner; and J. Rich Steers, Moles past president, who made award to Mr. Palmer.

#### Moles Honor Kiewit and Palmer

MORE THAN 1,000 of the country's foremost construction men paid homage to Peter Kiewit and Edward P. Palmer at a banquet last month when they were presented with the Moles Awards. Given annually to one member and one non-member "for outstanding achievement in construction," the awards are considered the highest recognition for service to the industry. Kiewit and Palmer are the thirteenth pair to be thus honored by the Moles-a New York association of leaders in the heavy construction business.

Peter Kiewit, non-member award winner, is president of Peter Kiewit Sons' Co. and its various affiliates, with headquarters in Omaha. He was honored as "Constructor extraordinary; in recognition of his rare vision, enterprise and superb skill; notably in the fields of public service and world-wide heavy construction."

Behind the award winner stand hundreds of millions of dollars worth of solid construction accomplishment. Kiewit has built highways in 15 states; such widely scattered dams as Bull Shoals (Arkansas), Hungry Horse (Montana), Garrison (North Dakota), Fort Gibson (Oklahoma), Philpott (Virginia) and Boysen (Wyoming); dozens of airports (including huge Project Blue Jay built in secrecy

in northern Greenland); and many Veterans Hospitals and other buildings. One of his current jobs is the \$1.2-billion Atomic Energy Commission plant in Ohio.

Edward P. Palmer, member award winner, is head of the New York City construction firm of Senior & Palmer, Inc. He was honored for "his outstanding engineering accomplishments and his supreme ability, notably in the fields of pneumatic foundations, tunnels and industrial relations."

Palmer, too, has many well-known projects behind him. He was connected with construction of New York's 7th and 8th Ave. subways and foundations for numerous bridges, including the George Washington span over the Hudson.

One of the most construction-industry-minded men. Palmer has constantly sought to better the conditions under which the contracting business has to operate. He was a member of the Contractors Code Authority in the days of NRA; president of the Associated General Constructors of America: for 13 yr a member, and for 6 yr chairman, of AGC's Labor Relations Committee; construction advisor to the Munitions Board; and member of the National Joint Board for the Settlement of Jurisdictional Disputes in the Construction Industry.

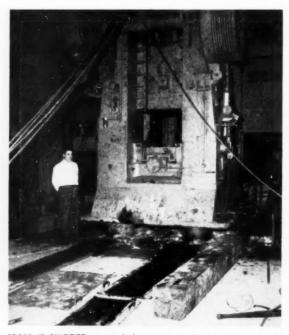
## Heavy Presses Are Set by Novel Methods



PRESS IS UNLOADED from flat car on which it was delivered, by lines from drums of two truck cranes that pull 248,000-lb unit on to cribbing. It will now be ramped to ground.



PRESS IS RIGHTED after being slid on its side to door of shop. Monstrous 1,600-ton capacity machine is more than 261/2 ft high.



PRESS IS SKIDDED on steel-plate tracks to foundation site inside shop building. Base of the press is nearly 8x10 ft in plan.

IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN a huge construction cocktail they were mixing-Central Steel Erecting Co. had ordered up 24,000 lb of ice and what amounted to 53 cu ft of gin. But the ice was for lowering a 1,600-ton capacity forging press into its foundation pit. And the gin was in the form of an 18-in. gin pole 30 ft long for handling a smaller, 750-ton press. Nevertheless, these ingredients let Central's Superintendent Paul E. Thomasch smoothly swallow a thorny machinery rigging job, with no resultant hangover.

The Utica (N.Y.) erection firm installed the two powerful presses in the local plant of Utica Drop Forge & Tool Corp. The bigger baby weighed 248,000 lb, and stood more than 26½ ft high on its 7-ft 8-in. by 9-ft 8-in. base. It had to be unloaded from the special flat car on which it was delivered, then turned upright from its horizontal shipping position during a 1,575-ft move to its foundations inside the shop.

For the first part of the move—the unloading—the press was just pulled sideways on to cribbing

and ramped down to the ground. Seven-part lines direct from the hoist drums of two truck cranes furnished the pulling power.

For the trip to the shop, two well-greased 24-in. WF beams 50 ft long were laid flat on the ground to serve as tracks. On the beams rested heavy 15-in. channels which, in turn, carried three 12x12-in. oak timbers 10 ft long fastened across the width of the press. The channels kept the beam flanges from cutting into the wood as the press was skidded along by a seven-part line from a crane drum.



PRESS LOWERS ITSELF by melting 24,000 lb of ice with which its foundation pit was filled. After 200 hr of sitting on ice, press will have sunk to place 4 ft below floor.



PRESS IS GUIDED during descent by cables and turnbuckles from floor to top.

Two sets of the track beams were provided, so the press could be moved up to the door of the building in 50-ft steps.

Then the unwieldy unit had to be stood upright. Two cranes hooked on to the top of the press with two 1½-in. cable slings and tilted it up, while cribbing was set beneath it for safety. Both of the cranes were reeved with ten parts of ¾-in. cable, independent of each other. One of these machines was a new 35-ton P&H mobile rig with 40 ft of boom. The other, also on rubber, was a 25-ton HC-90 Link-Belt Speeder.

(This latter crane, however, had been altered by Central Steel Erecting to handle heavier lifts. The company fabricated a new 15-ft bottom section of boom and added to it a 5-ft top section made of 5%-in. plate. A 20-in. four-sheave block was fastened to the boom tip. With this new 20-ft boom, and with an additional 5,800-lb removable counterweight at the rear, the machine has picked as much as 47 tons off the ground.)

#### Ice Fills Foundation Pit

Now upright, the press could be slid through a doorway into the shop building and up to its foundation pit. Track for this part of the move was a series of 1-in, steel plates 24 in, wide and 10 ft long. A winch truck anchored to deadmen and reeved with seven parts of cable did the pulling.

Meanwhile, the press's 8x10x7-ft deep foundation pit had been filled with 24,000 lb of block ice. The weighty machine was merely skidded on to this ice and allowed to melt its way into final position



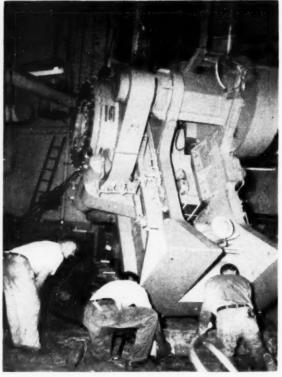
ALTERED CRANE teams up with a regular one to unload from flat car a smaller 750-ton capacity press weighing 114,000 lb. Originally a 25-ton crane, it has picked 47 tons.



TRUCK TRAILER will deliver press to door of shop, where two cranes will unload it to be rolled inside. This press is 5x7x18 ft.



18-IN. BY 30-FT GIN POLE tilts press upright, as base slides along steel straps set on floor. Load line leads from crane drum.



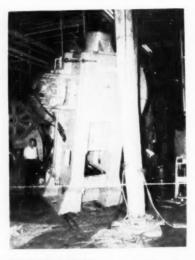
TIMBER CRIBBING for safety is placed beneath base as press is tipped, and also is carried up on other side of machine (left).

on special supports 4 ft below floor level.

It took just 200 hr and 7 min for the 248,000-lb press to sink into place. The only troublesome thing about the ice lowering scheme was that the machine's center of gravity was about 15 in. off the center of the base. This gave it a tendency to lean as the ice melted. So, to guide it, four 58-in. cables were run from the top of the press to anchors previously embedded in the shop's concrete floor just for that purpose.

Turnbuckles took up the slack in the cables as the press settled in the ice. The tackle was checked at frequent intervals, and by tightening the cables in the direction in which the press was to move, the machine was guided into exact position.

The smaller 750-ton press weighed 114,000 lb and was 18<sup>14</sup> ft high. Setting this machine was complicated not so much by weight as by clearance: It had to be taken into the building lying down to pass under a low balcony with no headroom. And, to right the press, it was impossible to rig from the building's superstructure or to set up an A-frame. A gin pole was



UNWIELDLY PRESS nears vertical under steady pull of line from gin pole. When upright, it will be moved into exact final position.

indicated. But first the press had to be unloaded and moved 1,000 ft to its location inside the shop.

Two 25-ton Link-Belt cranes (one of which was the altered, stub-boom machine) picked up the 114,000-lb press bodily from its delivery flat car and loaded it on to a truck trailer. At the plant door, the cranes again made the lift and laid the press down on rollers that carried it to the base of the gin pole.

The gin pole Central used had started out long ago as a sailing vessel's mast—a 90-ft double-tapered stick of Georgia pine with a 24-in. middle diameter. Cutting and trimming by the riggers from year to year had reduced this to the 18-in. by 30-ft gin pole that was set up to erect the press.

The pole was rigged with four sets of live rope guys running from a top-mast spider and reeved through two- and three-sheave blocks. The load line, which led from a crane's hoist drum, was reeved through two three-sheave blocks. Hitched to the top of the press with a 1½-in. cable sling, the gin pole slowly tipped the machine upright while two chain hoists kept the bottom of the press from sliding too far as it approached the vertical.

Data and photographs for this article were furnished by Paul E. Thomasch, superintendent for Central Steel Erecting Co., Inc., of Utica, N. Y.



## Slop-Tight Endgate Added to Mack Trucks on Job

IN EXCAVATING the canal section of the intake to Sir Adam Beck Generating Station No. 2 at Niagara Falls, Ont., the Hydro-Electric Commission of Ontario ran into trouble in hauling soupy muck up steep ramps in big Mack end-dump trucks. The sloppy material simply ran out the rear end of the dump bodies. T. S. Johnson and A. J. Leighton, a couple of hustling young engineers in Ontario Hydro's construction equipment department, devised the clever slop-proof endgate for these trucks, as shown in the accompanying pictures.

The pictures tell the whole story with little explanation needed. Tapering chan-

planation needed. Tapering channel brackets were welded to the truck frame on each side between tandem rear wheels. These brackets were designed to snap in case of overload before the frames would be broken. A flush endgate, fitting tight against the truck body, was mounted on the end of a pair of side-arms pivoted on the body sides. A pipe strut connected the opposite end of each side-arm with the corresponding bracket.

As the dump body was raised to discharge position, the endgate automatically rose clear of the body, clearing the bed by 8 ft at maximum raised position. When the dump body was returned to haul position, the endgate fell back into place. Simple, but effective! And they worked perfectly.

Ontario Hydro Photos









PRECAST CONCRETE SHELL, 19 ft in dia and weighing 60 tons, is lowered carefully to bottom of bay by 75-ton barge-mounted crane (it's an American Hoist and Derrick Co. steam-powered model). This big cylinder was cast on the barge, becomes base for one leg of pier to carry power line over ship channel.



SURVEYOR SIGHTS top of pipe tower set inside concrete base (showing more clearly in photo at left) for correct alignment of heavy concrete shell on bay bottom. He works from temporary platform built on 24-in. pipe piles. Note triangular spreader block below crane hook for 13/4-in. lift cables.



UP-ENDED UNDER WATER to minimize strain on supporting cables, pier leg then is eased to its base. Placing is done during slack tide with diver guiding bottom. Triangular block clears and equalizes cables.

## Heavy Precast Members Make Sturdy Tower Foundations

By L. L. WISE, Associate Editor

HEAVY PRECAST CONCRETE units are being put to exceptional use in constructing under-water piers for a new electric transmission line across the south arm of San Francisco Bay. After conferring with contractors in the field, the owner—Pacific Gas and Electric Co.—decided that on-shore precasting and on-site assembly were preferable, and cheaper than the more conventional methods of caisson or cofferdam construction.

The successful low bidder, Ben C. Gerwick, Inc., by effective use of a bay shore casting yard and floating equipment, proved PG&E's contention. The units slipped into place as easily as a small boy puts together an Erector set—except, that the size and weight of the big

concrete pieces called for exceptional planning ability and handling skill.

The contract includes all the foundation work for several miles of transmission line. There are many different types of footings in the route. But only 19 of the foundations are in water and require use of the precast concrete assemblies. Of these, 17 are shallowwater piers and 2 are deep-water piers.

These latter are set in 60 ft of water on each side of the main ship channel and support higher towers than any of the others. Accordingly they are bigger and involve heavier pieces.

The deep water piers are based on wood pile clusters, 23 piles for



DIVER WALKS ON AIR as he takes plunge to check position of concrete shell. The big cylinders are placed on a sand mat around a cluster of 23 wood piles. Diver can knock off high spots on sand with air jet to assure even footing for the concrete piers. He also unbolts pipe tower for re-use.



OCTAGONAL PIER LEGS go down next. These precast "pipes" are 60 ft long, 7 ft in dia and weigh 60 tons, are lifted with a three-point pickup and handled much like a concrete pile—although much heavier. Note long tremie pipe lying on barge used to fill base cylinders and pier legs.

each tower leg. Piles were driven with an under-water hammer into firm material after a 15- to 20-ft depth of soft mud had been dredged out. The excavations were backfilled with sand, leaving a 5-ft length of piles extending above the sand.

Heavy precast concrete shells were placed over the piles. These shells are 19 ft in dia, 16 ft high, 8 in. thick and weigh 60 tons each. They include an interior reinforcing cage with a steel hollow saucer suspended two-thirds of the way up.

Next, pier legs in the form of 60-ft long, 60-ton, 7-ft octagonal-shaped hollow shafts are placed on end, resting on the saucers. More tremie concrete is poured in the base cylinders and in the pier legs (after a reinforcing cage has been placed).

Final step is placing of 45-ton cross-beams above the water to brace the tower legs.

Project manager for the contractor is Don Weaver.

Design of the tower units is by the division of civil engineering, Pacific Gas and Electric Co., and construction supervised by the company's own construction department.



BARGE LOAD OF CROSS-BEAMS, each weighing 45 tons, is brought out to the site. Beams and pier legs were cast in contractor's yard located on tidal creek some 50 mi away.

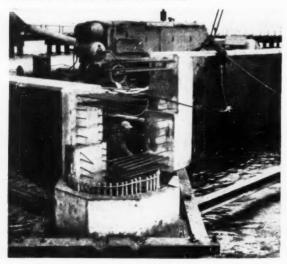


SLINGS ARE ATTACHED around end of the haunched beam to keep the main lifting cables from sliding inward during placing. Work goes on in all weather as long as water is not too rough. This was a rainy day.

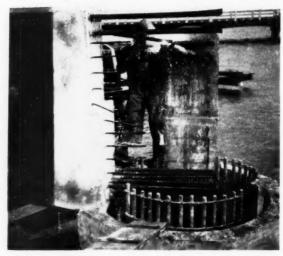


END OF BEAM is set into place on top of octagonal tower leg now partially filled with concrete. Note reinforcing steel around vertical leg and workman inside.

#### TOWER FOUNDATIONS . . . Continued



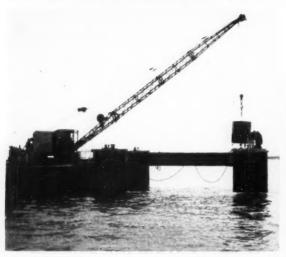
REINFORCING STEEL begins to mesh as second cross-beam is set on octagonal pier leg to create one of the corners. Beams are set at 1-ft elevation difference to prevent interference of reinforcing steel. Work platform in rear also supports Caterpillar-powered Chicago Pneumatic compressor.



WELDER TACKS BEAMS together by welding on a diagonal bar from one to the other as soon as they are set, to prevent accidental moving or tipping. Additional dowels will be added and a concrete plug poured which binds all the units together and sets anchor bolts for the transmission tower steel frame.



BARGE-MOUNTED CONCRETE PLANT services the offshore electric transmission tower construction with both tremie and structural concrete. Here, the steam-powered derrick loads rock from an aggregate barge alongside into the plant hopper. Batch plant is a regular Noble unit cut down in height to lower the center of gravity of the waterborne assembly. Mixing is done with a 1 1/3-yd Multifoote paver. The crane up forward is a Lorain Moto-Crane unit with its truck wheels removed. It handles concrete buckets and tremie pipes.



CONCRETE IS POURED from a Garbro \(^{9}\_8\)-yd bucket to set anchor bolts on one of the shallow water piers. There are 17 of the smaller piers, all in shallow water and supporting smaller towers than the two flanking the main ship channel.



ONE OF SMALLER PIERS being prepared for pouring final concrete for anchor bolt setting. Crane is supporting small booster pump to dewater interior of tower leg. A two-lane bridge-approach causeway is in the background.



CABLE TROUGHS at each end of trencher and over crawler let rig pick up telephone cable, splices and all, and lay it in ditch. Previously, cable was paid off reel into trench, or else laid on ground and then set in. In either case, wide holes had to be dug, where splicers worked in dust or mud. New attachment that lets

splicing be done above ground was devised by Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co.'s construction superintendents Harry C. Hemenway and Cliff O. Ekstrom. They also developed two other gadgets pictured below. All three were for Sacramento-Stockton (Calif.) job where 38-mi toll cable was buried in 101/2x40-in, ditch.

## These Three Gadgets Ease Cable-Laying



2 COMPACTION WHEEL on nose of motor grader that backfills trench lets rig handle all tamping too, thus eliminating hand work formerly required. Hydraulically controlled device is powerful enough to lift machine's front wheels high off ground.



REEL BRAKE with adjustable tension lets trailer pay out cable in straight lengths on top of the ground, where it is spliced before burying. This N carrier cable (the first such buried on the Pacific Coast) is 84-quad, 19-gage, 336-conductor.



IT'S 50 FT UP to top of that steel, which makes this Ontario Hydro tunnel at Niagara Falls the biggest long tunnel in the world-and ing is required only above springline.

there are two of them, side by side, each 5.4 mi long. Steel timber-

## **New Tunneling Achievements Reached** In Driving Big Ontario Hydro Tubes

By HAROLD W. RICHARDSON, Editor

• On October 10, 1950, a new treaty between the United States and Canada came into force, providing for diversion of additional water above Niagara Falls for hydro-electric power generation, both countries to share equally the added amount of water made available. By January 1, 1951, Canada, through the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, started construction on facilities to utilize its share of the new diversion—a project known as Sir Adam Beck Generating Station No. 2, designed to contain ultimately twelve 100,000-hp units.

They planned the development in two stages. First stage was to include seven 100,000-hp units in a new plant just upstream from the existing Sir Adam Beck No. 1 station (formerly Queenston), 4.8 mi of 45-ft finished dia tunnel and 214 mi of open cut canal 200-ft wide and some 80 ft deep. Four units were to be ready in 1954, the next three in 1955.

But we Americans still are bickering as to who will build the corresponding new

project on the New York side of the river private utilities, the New York State Power Authority, or the federal government. (A bill now before Congress would authorize private utilities to proceed.)

Incidentally, the treaty provides that until such time as there are facilities in the territory of one party to use its full share of the diversions of waters for power purposes, the other party may use that share.

Our good Canadian friends, faced with an unprecedented demand for power decided in the spring of 1952 to proceed with the second stage of the development, involving a parallel tunnel and five more generating units.

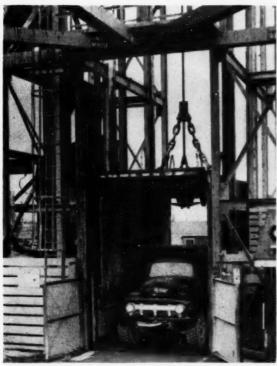
Thus, the Canadian project is now proceeding toward ultimate installation of all 12 units, and the two parallel tunnels, which will divert 40,000 cfs. Total cost will be about \$299,000,000. A previous article on the project, devoted largely to canal excavation, appeared in CM&E Feb 52, p. 48.-EDITOR

THEY AREN'T the biggest tunnels, nor the longest, but they are the biggest long tunnels and the longest big tunnels in the world-those twin 51-ft excavated dia bores, each 5.4 mi long, being driven under Niagara Falls, Ont., for The Hydro-Electric Commission of Ontario's new Sir Adam Beck No. 2 generating project.

Driving of these huge headings is bringing new advances, new techniques and new achievements to the art of tunneling-here is modern tunneling at its best.

Traditionally, Ontario Hydro does all of its construction with its own forces, and such is the case on the Niagara Falls job today, except for the tunnels. Having only limited tunneling experience, the Commission decided to award major underground operations to con-

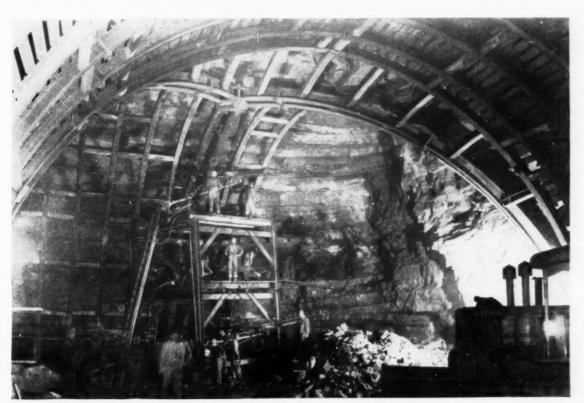
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FEATURE OF HOISTING ARRANGEMENT is 20-ton capacity cage (left) capable of handling biggest equipment in the hole—including Northwest 80D shovels when dismantled. Here is a big Ford truck loaded with large chunk of rock too big to pass through skip loading



gate of shaft bottom. At right is close-up of 11-yd skip discharging into 150-yd muck bin at surface. Note that air-operated radial gates on muck bin open from top, preventing blocking up in chutes. Bin, skips and cage were built by E. Long Ltd., Orilla, Ont.



INTERSECTION OF CROSS-DRIFT from bottom of shaft and main tunnel top heading required some tricky design in steel roof sup-

ports. This groin arch was the answer. Main heading is just being turned by drilling from temporary jumbo.



TOPPED BY 7-FT SHEAVES, these headframes rise 120 ft above shaft collar at Shafts 3 and 4. Sheave loads are carried by cantilever extending over shaft area from heavy A-frame main structure, requiring only light cage guide steel below cantilever. Muck bin at side, holding 150 cu yd, is receiving another II-yd skip load of muck.



SHUTTLING back and forth from shafts to dumps, these 16-yd Marion semi-trailers work with Ford Big Job tractors, get rid of millions of yards of muck.



ONE OF NUMEROUS time-saver tricks is loading roof support ribs, timber blocking, drill steel and other supplies needed below with Clark fork lift truck on special trailers that are lowered into headings by shaft cage and hauled directly to point of use in tunnel below ground.

tractors under competitive bidding.

The original tunnel project, 4.8 mi of single tube driven from four offset shafts from 200 to 330 ft deep, was divided into two sections. Rayner-Atlas, Ltd., a Canadian firm, and the combination of B. Perini & Sons, Inc., Walsh Construction Co., and Canadian-American contractors, each were awarded half the job, with Rayner-Atlas to work from Shafts 1 and 2 (intake end) and Perini-Walsh from Shafts 3 and 4 (outlet end).

Later, the commission extended the tunnel 3,683 ft southward from the original inlet portal end to cut down the length of cut and cover pressure tube, and awarded this section with Perini-Walsh to drive it from a new shaft, known as No. 5.

Then last summer, with the change in plans to go ahead with stage II of the project, the twin tunnel, 250 ft riverward from the original bore, and to be driven from the same shafts, was awarded

to the same two firms in sections corresponding to their contracts on the first tunnel.

Thus Perini-Walsh is driving some 16,100 ft and 15,220 ft in tunnels No. 1 and 2 respectively, and correspondingly Rayner-Atlas is driving some 12,435 ft and 12,080 ft.

The tunnels lie just under a stratum of hard Irondequoit lime-stone which forms a sound cover for the big bores. The headings pierce various strata of dolomite, shale and sandstone. As they are designed circular in section, 45 ft finished dia with a minimum concrete lining 28 in. thick, they are running close to 51 ft excavated dia—and that's one great big hole.

According to specifications, the full length of both tunnels is being supported above springline with four-piece steel ribs made up of 8-in. WF beams spaced 4 ft apart. They rest on double I-beam wall plates which, in turn, are posted on timber struts in niches outside of minimum excavation line. The rib

sets are lagged with 6-in. light steel channels and/or 12-in. wide metal pans, and are further stiffened with timber spreaders. Back packing is limited to wood blocking.

Perini-Walsh started out with, and has continued to use, the heading-and-bench method of driving, taking out a little more than half the section in top heading, then down-drilling the bench after holing through a heading.

Rayner-Atlas started out with a modified full-face, using two drill jumbos, and excavating practically the full cross-section in one operation. This scheme was abandoned, however, mainly because of inability to get at and bar down a treacherous formation of dolomite lying just under the high roof.

Consequently, they revamped their operations to follow closely those of Perini-Walsh. By now, except for some differences in hoisting, compressor and ventila-

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Cutting into soil heavily laced with rock, in rarefied atmosphere at 7,000 feet, is no operation for balky, feeble engines. That's why a Caterpillar Diesel Engine was selected to power the compressor that supplied air to drill 400′ of 2½″ hole daily near Henrieville, Utah. The job was 2½ miles of road construction.

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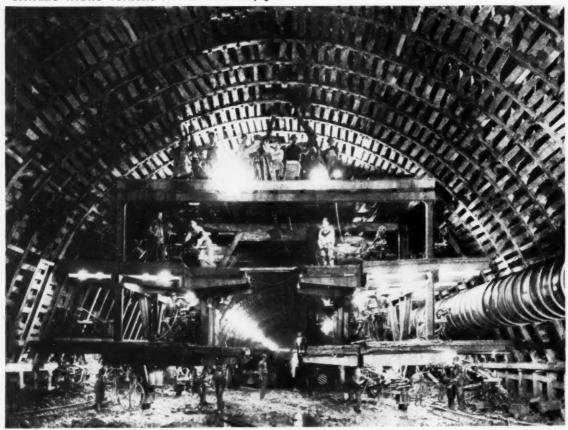
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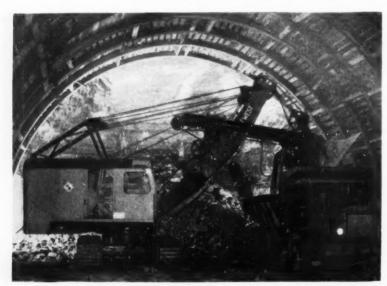
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Diesel Engines Electric Sets



HEAD-ON VIEW of jumbo shows location and spacing of 17 Joy drifters mounted on Joy hydraulic booms. Three drills are suspended from, and two are mounted on top of, each bottom deck wing. Two more drills are on each center deck wing, and three are mounted on top of upper deck. Center wings of bottom and middle decks

can be dropped to clear mucking shovel and trucks. Four-section steel ribs are spliced into two sections in tunnel, placed on top of jumbo and erected during drilling operations, along with struts and steel logging. Vent pipe is 10-gage steel, 48-in. dia fastened to ribs by strap steel.



NO USE SENDING A BOY to do a man's work, so Perini-Walsh mucks out the top headings with electrified Northwest 80D shovels with dipper sticks cut down to 13 ft. handling a 31/2-yd bucket. And there's still room in the big hole to load into 13-yd Euclid diesel end-dump trucks that haul the muck to skip-loading bins at bottom of shaft. Each top heading round produces about 1,200 cu yd of loose muck, loaded out in an average of 43/4 hr.

tion equipment, the two jobs are very much alike. The detail job operations described from here on are those of Perini-Walsh.

Key to fast driving of these big tunnels, as we see it, is an excellent shaft and hoisting arrangement capable of efficient handling of big equipment, heavy steel sections and tremendous quantities of muck. The set-ups at Shafts 3, 4 and 5 are identical.

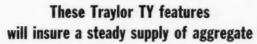
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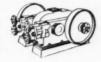
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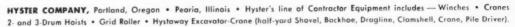
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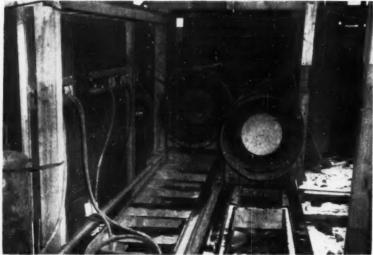
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which are heavier than theoretically required—but they were available.

The shafts, of 26-ft internal dia, are fully lined with concrete above rock and partially lined in rock. The center area is taken up with a counter-balanced cage 9 ft 3 in. x 22 ft, and 12 ft high with bonnet roof, capable of handling 20-ton loads. At one side is a pair of 14-yd balanced muck skips. The opposite side of the shaft is filled with two 48-in. steel vent-pipe risers, a manway ladder and the cage counterweight well.

These cages handle everything up to 13-yd Euclid end-dump trucks used for muck haul in the headings. Timbers, steel ribs, 48in, steel vent-pipe sections, drill steel, drills and miscellaneous supplies are loaded on special trailers by Hyster fork lifts for transportation down the shaft and to the face or point of use in the hole.

Dynamite trucks loaded with a complete round of powder are lowered down the shaft and run right up to the face. Tractors and Einco loaders used for muck cleanup also ride the cage. Even the 2½-yd Northwest shovels used for mucking were taken into the tunnel in sections via the cages.

The two Lidgerwood-Mundy electric hoists at each shaft are beauts. Both are equipped with 8-ft drums and 2\%-in. hoist cable. One, handling the counterbalanced cage, is driven by a 300-hp General Electric motor. Two lines are car-

ried on each drum, one unwinding as the other winds.

On the cage hoist one line goes to the cage, the other to the counterweight. Lines from the skip hoist go to the two skips, thus keeping them in balance. The skip hoist is driven by a 450-hp GE motor. All hoist signals are duplicated in buzzers and lights. There is also telephone communication between top and bottom of shaft.

The full section runs 75¼ cu yd of excavation per ft of tunnel. In driving by the heading-and-bench method, Perini-Walsh takes out 44 yd per ft from the top heading, placing the heading floor just below springline to allow setting the rib supporting posts. Tunnel center lines are 250 ft apart, with the shafts in between.

#### **Shafts Serve Both Tunnels**

First step in attacking the headings was to drive arch-roof crosscuts from shaft to tunnel lines, with roof supported by steel ribs. These were driven at same grade as the top headings. The steel rib system at intersection of cross-cut and main headings is a masterpiece. Ontario Hydro engineers, the contractors and T. L. White of Commercial Shearing and Stamping Co. all had a hand in the design, and they came up with a beautiful groin arch design.

After the top headings were turned, two drill jumbos were set up in one tunnel, to drive in opposite directions. Some of the top headings have been holed through, and these jumbos were returned to the shaft and set up in the parallel tunnel for the same driving process.

The jumbos are 3-deck steel frames, mounted on 28-ft-gage track. Top deck is solid, but the two lower decks are split with inside aprons that drop to clear the mucking shovel and trucks. Each jumbo carries 17 Joy T-350 (3½-in.) wet-type drifters, mounted on Joy chain-type LW-6A feeds driven by a 4-cyl reversible Pistonmoter. The feeds, 10 ft long, take 8-ft steel changes.

Each drill and long feed is mounted on a Joy Hydro-Drill-Jib, with power lift and power swing, so attached as to permit inverting the hydraulic power jibs when drills and booms are suspended from bottom of lower deck. Hydraulic pressure for the jib booms is supplied by two Joy unitized pumping systems located on the middle deck. Main booms are 10 ft long, power booms are 8 ft, which

permits each drill to cover an area 7 ft 9 in. in diameter.

A storage, supply and working platform at rear of jumbo is raised and lowered by an Ingersoll-Rand 7½-hp tugger hoist. The jumbo design permits the steel ribs, fabricated into two sections in the tunnel, to be hoisted in advance to the top deck, then to be placed during drilling operations—a big time-saver. The jumbos are moved by a tractor.

There is no rigid pattern for drilling the top heading, but so far the average round has been 144 holes with a horizontal V center cut, pulling 15.7 ft. Most holes are drilled 16 ft deep, but rim holes and relievers are put down 20 ft to keep the face on an even plane—otherwise the corners would not pull and the face would become concave.

Powder is Canadian Industries Ltd. Driftite semi-gel, fired in delays up to 15. Each round pulls 700 cu yd of solid rock, breaking up into about 1,200 cu yd loose muck. Average powder yield is 2.75 lb per cu yd of solid rock. Drilling is mostly with Timken carbide insert detachables, sharpened by grinding on the job, though some Liddicoat throw-aways are used.

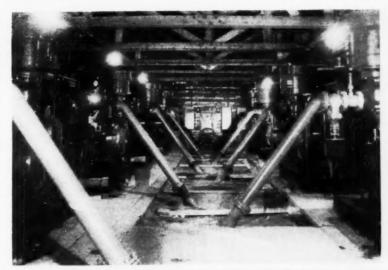
#### **Mucking Procedure**

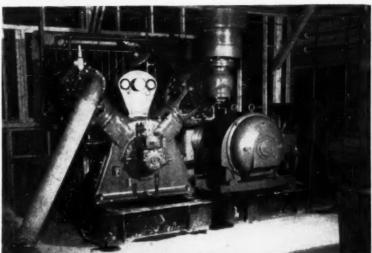
Mucking out is by a Northwest 80-D electrified shovel in each heading, powered by a 100-hp motor and equipped with a  $3\frac{1}{2}$ -yd bucket and short dipper sticks. Muck is loaded into 13-yd Euclid end-dump trucks for haul to the shaft bottom. An Eimco 1-yd rocker shovel on a Caterpillar D4 and an Allis-Chalmers HD20 bulldozer assist in muck clean-up. The time cycle of drilling, mucking and steel setting is given in the table on page 80.

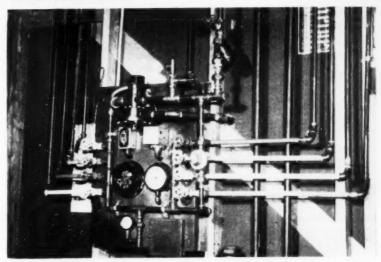
All diesel trucks and tractors assigned to steady duty underground are equipped with exhaust scrubbers.

The muck hoisting arrangement works like a charm. The shaft bottom was carried to ultimate tunnel floor level, well below the top heading level. Then muck storage bins and skip pockets were sunk up to 75 ft below tunnel bottom. During top heading operations, the muck bin shaft was boarded up to top heading floor level, giving an additional storage capacity.

The Euclids dump into this storage bin. Then the muck, controlled by air gates, goes into a 12-yd measuring hopper for discharge







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BATTERY of 13 drifters on platform jumbo keeps well ahead of shooting and mucking operations in down drilling the bench.



MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR are big items on this big job. The thousands of feet of electric cable required on the project are kept in repair by two Joy cable vulcanizing machines at each shaft.

into the alternate skips. As the skips are balanced, one goes up as the other goes down.

At the surface the skips dump automatically into a 150-yd storage bin alongside the headframe. This bin, also equipped with two air gate chutes, loads into trucks. These radial gates open from the top instead of the bottom, which prevents the muck in the chutes from arching over and blocking.

Muck haul is by Euclid enddumps and Ford Big Job trucks equipped with Marion 16-yd semitrailer dump bodies. Disposal is in designated areas from 1 to 2 mi from the shafts, and here rayines are being filled in to form beautiful level ground for parks or building sites.

The big holes need a lot of ventilating air, and they are getting it with a very efficient fan layout. Both in the shaft risers and in the top headings, the vent pipe is 48-in. dia, of 10-gage steel with angle iron stiffening ribs 2 ft apart. Pipe lengths are 20 ft, and are connected by Naylor band couplings. In the heading the pipe is held high on the steel ribs by steel strap bands. At 100-ft intervals a safety cable is looped around the pipe just in case the band clamps should slip.

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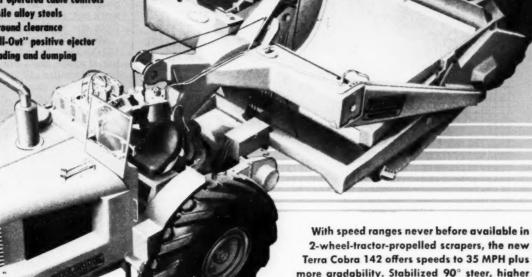
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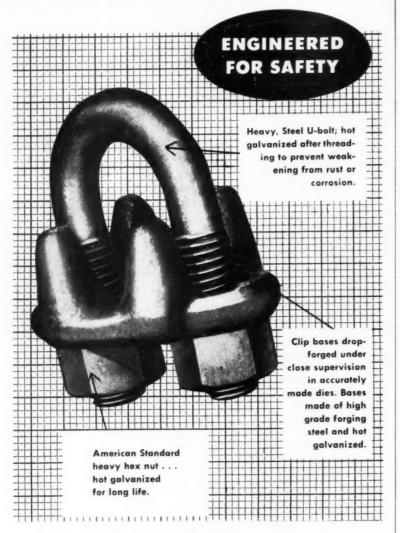
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At top of each shaft are two sets of fans, each connected to one of the risers. These are groups of Joy Axivane fans, set horizontally in tandem within 48-in. casings that hook into the regular vent pipe. Each fan is driven by an individual 75-hp direct-connected motor operating at 1,750 rpm.

For every advance of 800 ft of heading another fan is added to the series, up to a total of five. The fans are reversible, and can be cut in and out as needed. Top air supplied to each heading is 65,000 cfm. When a heading is holed through between shafts, artificial ventilation is no longer required, so the vent piping is transferred to the parallel tunnel.

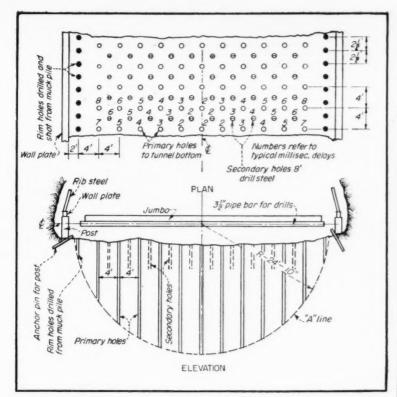
The compressor set-up also is unusual. Instead of installing big stationary compressors as is customary for tunnels of this size, Perini-Walsh selected Joy WN-102 semi-portable units, each delivering 750 cfm. These are arranged in banks of 6 to 10 at each shaft, depending upon how the headings work out, and can be moved easily from one shaft to another.

Most of these units are driven by 150-hp electric motors, but a couple of spare units are belt-driven by Caterpillar 17,000 diesel engines. These compressors need no special foundations other than a concrete sill on the house floor slab and they can be cut in and out as air requirements change. All piping, control and otherwise, for each unit is painted a distinctive color for easy identification.

#### **Bench Excavation**

An entirely different scheme of drilling and shooting is being used on the bench—downhole and millisecond delay detonation. This method was planned from the first, but the contractors did a lot of experimenting before they finally worked out all details to their full satisfaction.

Key to this operation is a horizontal frame jumbo spanning full width of the bench, with a pipe bar along one side. On this bar are mounted Joy drifters to act as wagon drills for down drilling—12 mounted in section 3 and 13 in section 4. At each end of the jumbo is a rail that engages track rolls suspended from the rib steel overhead, set to exact grade. The platform is moved ahead by a 7½-hp tugger hoist. Two smaller tuggers work in the opposite direction as snubbers and to aid in lining up the rig.



DRILLING PATTERN for bench excavation. Platform jumbo, sutspended from ribs, carries 12 and 13 Joy drifters acting as wagon drills for down drilling. Primary pattern of holes drilled to bottom contour is 4x4-ft grid, except rim holes are drilled and shot from muck pile. Secondary holes are drilled with 8-ft steel to prevent top rock from breaking out in chunks too big to handle. Shooting is by millisecond delays in V-pattern as shown in plan.

The primary drill pattern is 12 and/or 13 holes spaced across the tunnel in rows every 4 ft. This pattern does not include the outside rim or trim holes, as experience has shown it is best to drill these short holes 21/2 ft apart longitudinally from the muck pile and shoot them in a secondary blast.

With the drill bar at constant elevation, and the drills in the same transverse position for each row of holes, it is easy to figure the depth of each drill hole to follow the circular bottom contour of the But experience again bench. showed that even with the fairly close 4x4-ft grid pattern, the upper part of the bench was breaking up into blocks too large to handle. To remedy this trouble, they now put down 8-ft secondary holes in another 4x4-ft pattern staggered both ways between holes in the primary pattern

At the inception of the bench operation it was assumed that drilling could proceed constantly far ahead of shooting and mucking. This was tried but had to be abandoned because many holes were lost due to relieving of rock pressures. The present procedure is to drill and shoot the amount of muck required to keep excavation going with the least amount of interruption. As many as 25 rows were shot in a round. Shooting is by millisecond delays in a V-pattern, as indicated in the above diagram.

Mucking out is by the same Northwest 80-D shovels used in top headings, loading into the 13-yd Euclid end-dumps. Enough muck has to be left on the curved bottom to form a decent haulageway.

So much for the main tunnel driving operations. Subsequent articles will describe raising the intake and discharge ends from tunnel grade to the canals, and placement of concrete lining.

Sir Adam Beck No. 2 development is under the general direction of Robert Saunders, chairman, and Richard L. Hearn, general manager and chief engineer, of The Hydro - Electric Commission of Ontario. At the project key personnel include Gordon Mitchell, project manager; W. L. Fraser, field project engineer; William Hogg, assistant project engineer:

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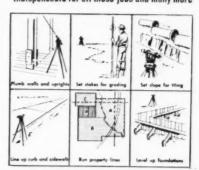
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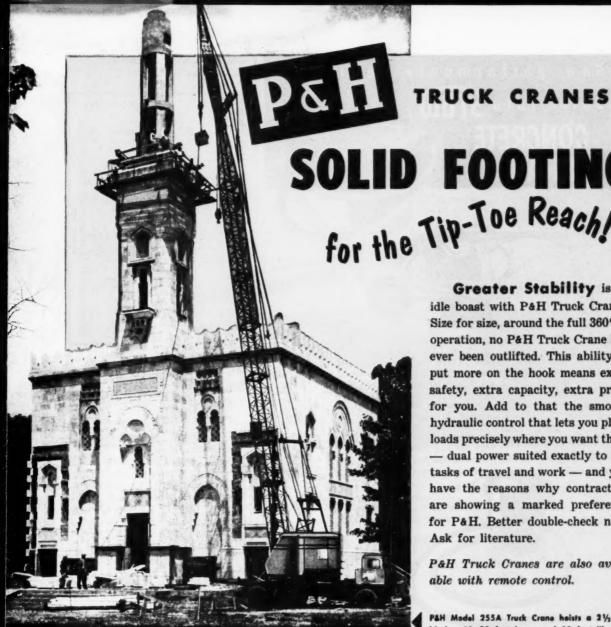
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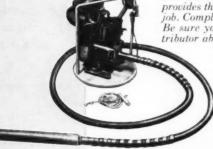
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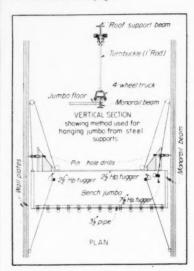
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BENCH JUMBO is moved, positioned and steadied by lines from 3 air tugger hoists as shown here. Holes for pins anchoring roof rib posts are drilled from wings at rear of jumbo.

and L. J. Gallagher, general construction superintendent.

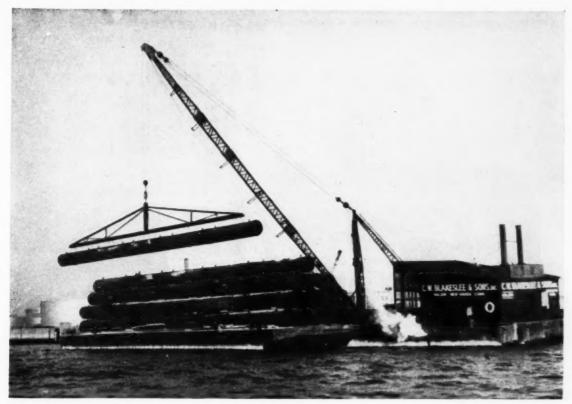
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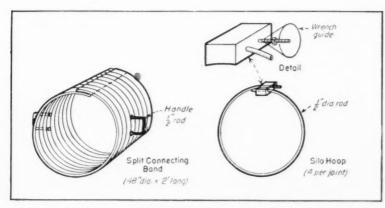


CORRUGATED METAL PIPE in 100-ft lengths is supported by 90-ft strongback and lowered by derrick boat to be coupled under

water by divers. Pre-assembling 20-ft pipe into these longer lengths saved divers much work, as did remote release gear on strongback.

# Simple Procedures Help Divers Place Sewer Outfall

By JAMES H. GILBERT, C. W. Blakeslee & Sons, Inc.



COUPLING DETAILS that helped divers join pipe sections together are handle welded to connecting band, and light-gage metal funnel to guide wrench that tightens band's hoops.

ON THE BOTTOM of the harbor at New Haven, Conn., is a new 1,600-ft sewer outfall of 48-in. corrugated pipe. Placing it as much as 35 ft below water surface was divers' work. But local contractors C. W. Blakeslee & Sons, Inc., minimized the submarine labor by such things as pre-assembling the pipe into longer lengths, rigging the lowering gear with an above-water release, and devising guides for the wrenches that tightened the joints.

Borings taken along the proposed line had indicated that a coarse sand could be expected at the depth the pipe was to be placed. A number of pipe designs were considered, with Armco corrugated pipe being selected because of savings in cost and ease of laying. As this pipe has some degree of flexibility, it was not necessary to design a complicated or expensive support—it could just be laid with no support other than the existing sand.

First operation on the 1,600-ft outfall was to dredge out for the line. Approximately 40,000 yd of material was clammed out by New England Dredge & Dock Co. at a rapid pace because no rock was encountered. (Continued on p. 84)

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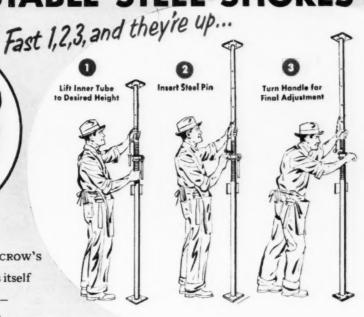
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While the dredging was in progress, a concrete outfall chamber weighing 47 tons was precast on a deck scow. As the lifting capacity of any one of the Blakeslee lighters available at the time was only about 20 tons, a special hoisting device had to be built to handle the chamber. It was in the form of a modified A-frame of 12-in. Hbeams extending beyond the bow of a derrick boat. With this, it was possible to lift the box-like chamber from the scow deck, and lower it 35 ft below water.

The chamber was fixed into position at the edge of the navigation channel by four piles driven to refusal and fastened to the box by four sets of hoops extending from the chamber walls. After the piles were driven, divers cut them off level with the top of the box.

A number of methods were considered for placing the outfall pipe itself. It was finally decided to preassemble it in 100-ft lengths, lower them into position and connect them under water. Two divers would work as a team for this latter operation.

While dredging and chamber construction proceeded, the 100-ft lengths of pipe were assembled on another deck scow. The Armco corrugated pipe—48 in. dia, 12-gage, asbestos - bonded, asphalt - coated, and with paved invert—was delivered in standard 20-ft lengths that were joined together by a 5-man crew aided by a derrick boat. Two-foot split connecting bands with four silo hoops insured tight and strong joints.

To handle the 100-ft sections, a strongback was made up. It consisted of a 90-ft long, 12-in. Hbeam bottom chord member with a 6-ft H-beam king post and trusses of 6-in. angle iron. Six ½-in. wire-rope slings suspended the pipe from the strongback. One end of the wire rope was permanently affixed to the strongback, the other was fitted with a special job-made attachment that let the pipelaying crew free the cable connection by remote control. This eliminated the necessity of divers walking the length of the strongback some 35 ft under water to release the cables and detach the pipe.

Before each 100-ft section was sent down, one of the 2-ft split connecting bands was put on flush with the end of the pipe. Its four silo hoops of ½-in. rod also were affixed, though loosely. After the pipe was lowered and butted against the previously laid section, it was necessary for the divers to slide the band ahead 1 ft to center it over the joint.

With only a small lap in the split band itself, with the silo hoops on, and with pipe and band both corrugated, moving the bands was quite difficult for the divers—especially working with gloves and 35 ft under. Therefore, two U-shaped handles bent from 2-ft lengths of ½-in. reinforcing rod were welded to each connecting band. With these, the divers had little difficulty in positioning the bands correctly.

The ½-in. nuts on the silo hoop rods were tightened with an Ingersoll-Rand air boring machine whose bit was replaced by a shank with a box-head wrench on the end. Some trouble had been expected on this operation in the semidarkness under water. Accordingly, before lowering the pipe with its band and hoops, each of the nuts was fitted with a guide for the wrench. This was a cone-

shaped light-gage metal funnel about the size of a paper drinking cup. The small end of the cone fitted over the nut and guided the air wrench to its correct alignment. Once the diver engaged the nut he removed the cone and proceeded with the tightening without any difficulty.

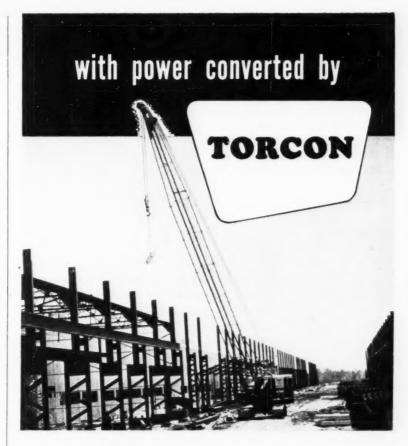
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#### Job Personnel

The outfall is part of a multimillion dollar sewer expansion program that New Haven has been engaged in over the last two years. City Engineer Vincent Barry prepared plans for the job, on which Daniel J. Cahoon was project engineer for the city. The underwater installation was done by C. W. Blakeslee & Sons Inc., of New Haven. For the latter, Joseph Hepworth was construction superintendent and the writer was supervising engineer.





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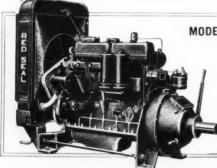


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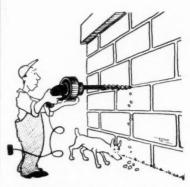
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Information from Structural Clay Products Institute

PROPERLY CONSTRUCTED clay masonry walls are remarkably free of costly repair and maintenance, but the repair of a wall that has developed leaks because of poor initial workmanship or design is often difficult and expensive. Care in the selection and use of mortar, adequate flashing and tooling of joints will probably add only a small amount to the initial cost, but will insure a low maintenance overhead throughout the life of the property.



CUTTING MORTAR that is disintegrating can be done with power tools although care must be taken not to damage masonry units.

• Tuck-Pointing-Where the mortar joints have softened or disintegrated or large cracks are noted, it will be readily apparent that protective measures must be taken to correct or prevent leaky walls. This is done by cutting out all loose or disintegrated mortar joints for a depth of at least 1/2 in., and repointing or filling with proper mortar. If the work is being done to correct leakage, all joints should be cut out in the affected area, as it may be very difficult in some cases to determine the defective joints by visual inspection alone. If no leakage has been noted and the repointing is being done as maintenance work, it is necessary to remove only defective mortar.

This cutting may be done by hand or, when large areas are involved, by power tools. Care should be taken not to damage the units during the cutting process. When the cutting is completed, all dust and loose material must be re-

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moved by brushing or, preferably, with a water jet. If water is used in cleaning the dust from the points, no additional wetting may be required. The repointing should not follow immediately after the joints are washed. Little, if any, wetting will be necessary when the walls are constructed of low absorption units.

The tuck-pointing mortar should not be denser than the original mortar. The natural tendency to use a rich mortar should be avoided in order to eliminate excessive shrinkage and volume change after hardening. For the same reason, it is recommended that the mortar be pre-hydrated before using. In the absence of information on the density and proportioning of the old mortar, a pre-hydrated mortar, mixed in the proportions (by volume) of one part cement, one part lime putty or hydrated lime, and six parts sand, is recommended. It should be pre-hydrated by mixing, at least 2 hr before using, with only a portion of the required mixing water. At the end of the curing period, the mortar must be reworked, adding the remaining water. This greatly improves workability, and much of the initial shrinkage is eliminated. The mortar should then be packed tightly in thin layers and finally tooled to a smooth compact, concave surface.

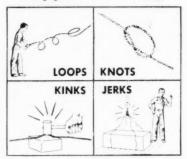


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When changing the appearance of the wall is not objectionable, a less expensive method of waterproofing consists of a single application of cement grout to the joints, followed with two coats of cementwater paint, applied uniformly over the entire wall surface. Tests at the National Bureau of Standards show cement-water paints to be highly resistant to water penetration and very durable when properly mixed and applied. It should be pointed out, however, that once such a wall is painted, a periodic maintenance cost must be expected.

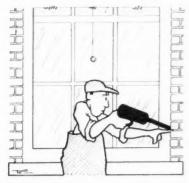
• Colorless Waterproofing Materials, of which there are numerous proprietary mixtures on the market, appear to be of little or no benefit as waterproofing when applied to walls that leak badly, according to the results of tests at the National Bureau of Standards, reported in Building Materials and Structures Report BMS95. Where wall leakage occurs through very fine cracks between the joints and the masonry units, some colorless waterproofers were effective for a period of a year or two but, after



REPLACEMENT of flashing is an expensive maintenance job. But quite often the expense is justified in trouble-free walls.

weathering, their effectiveness as a waterproofer lessened considerably. However, there are colorless waterproofers on the market for which fine performance records are cited. Therefore, it is recommended that before using such material, its performance on similar jobs in the area be investigated carefully.

• Flashing-When the maintenance problem involves the replacement of defective flashing or the installation of flashing which should have been installed when the building was originally constructed, the only proper solution is an expensive repair job-removing the masonry units and placing suitable flashing around and under them. When continuous flashing is required in existing walls at spandrels or other locations, it can be placed by removing alternate masonry sections in widths up to 2 or 3 ft. After the flashing is placed and the masonry properly aged, the intermediate sections can then be removed and the flashing completed. As mentioned before, this is a time-consuming and expensive procedure, but quite often the expense is justified if the work is properly done in order to assure a sound and maintenancefree structure in the future.



PRESSURE-GUN calking of cracks around doors and windows with a good elastic compound takes care of many leaking joints.

• Calking—Improper calking often is responsible for the most serious water leakage around door and window frames, and quite often becomes a considerable maintenance expense. If the calking was completely omitted, this can be corrected easily by filling all cracks with good elastic calking compound placed with a pressure gun. On the other hand, if the original calking has cracked, peeled, or separated, it should be completely removed and replaced with new compound. Unless proper pressure is used, only a thin film of calking compound will be placed. Even with good material this will soon become ineffective. Thin films of calking should be removed and properly replaced before serious damage is caused.



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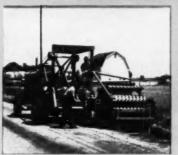
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AFTER THE JOB was completed by five passes of a Domor elevating grader, this county road ditch shows a uniform "V" cut. All remaining is washed down by rains.

spoil is loaded and hauled away, as ditching proceeds. Loose dirt

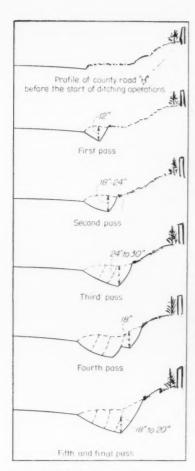
### Precise Sloping Ditch Replaces ...



BEFORE THE JOB of ditching began, accumulations of silt and weeds had raised the roadside above the level of the gravel-topped material on road surface is not permitted.

secondary road and choked off efficient drainage. Windrowing of

### Weed-Choked and Silted Roadside



FIVE-STEP SEQUENCE shows how one machine does it all. With this method, the supply of trucks is the deciding factor in production.

MANY MILES of ditches along secondary roads in Poweshiek County, Iowa, are being re-established by using two Domor elevating graders and Caterpillar No. 12 motor graders.

Last summer, the county supervisors, along with the county highway foreman, decided that some means had to be found to clean ditches without windrowing material. There is no rock or gravel within the county, and any surface material on the roads must be treated with care. Rock or gravel hauled in from outside the county is too expensive to pick up with the ditch clean-out material.

Prior to this time, Poweshiek County had cut ditches to the fence line wherever possible, but this method was far from satisfactory.

Ditches are cut in from three to five passes. The first cut is 8 to 12 in. and establishes the ditch line. The second cut is about 20 in. deep; the third about 30 in. The fourth cut is 20 in. but only half way to



FIRST PASS by Domor-equipped Caterpillar grader cuts a "V" notch about 12 in. deep, establishes the ditch line. Dodge and Chevrolet trucks haul the material.



THIRD PASS slices farther into the roadside bank and cuts down 24 to 30 in.—maintaining a uniform, wide slope. Average production is 1/2 mi of finished 40-in, ditch per day.



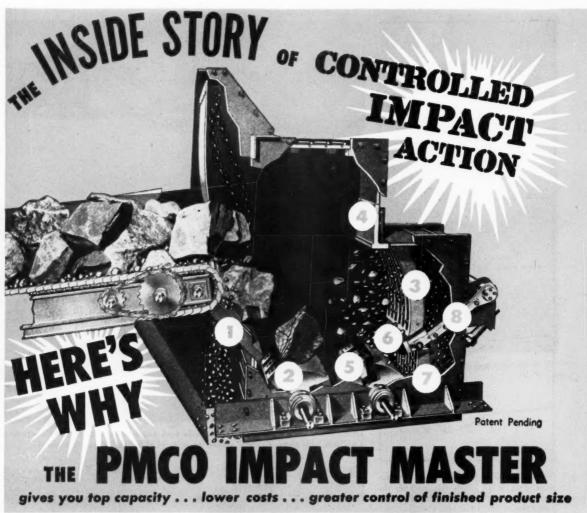
FOURTH PASS brings ditch to full width, one more pass cuts toe to full depth. Both sides of road are ditched as necessary. Ditches do not have to be bladed.

the final toe of the ditch—the fifth cut is in the same path as the fourth but is all the way to the toe of the ditch, usually 20 to 25 in. Finished ditches average about 40 in. deep.

The average production is a halfmile of finished ditch a day. The finished ditches do not have to be bladed.

Trucks are loaded in from 40 to 55 sec. Trucks are the deciding factor in production. Regardless of the haul, one truck is used for short haul only in order to keep production fairly constant. Poweshiek County officials feel that the Domor elevating grader, by doing the ditch cutting, conveying and loading, all in one simple operation, has proved to be the answer to continuous ditch maintenance on their three highway districts.

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BIG BRUTES move into the borrow pit at Palisades Dam to get filling of the 14-million yard embankment under way. These are a

Manitowoc 4500 dragline and shovel, Caterpillar diesel powered, each gulping 5 yd per bite. (C)

# Big Equipment Moves in on Palisades Dam,

IT TAKES A WHOLE SEASON just to get started in building a modern big dam, and that was the case last summer and fall as Palisades Contractors and a flock of subcontractors moved in to begin construction of Palisades Dam on the South Fork of the Snake River in southwestern Idaho near the Wyoming border. When the job opens up again this spring, the

contractors are all set to make the

Palisades Dam will be the largest earth and rock fill structure ever built by the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation. The main embankment will require close to 14,000,000 cu yd of fill, crest length will be 2,200 ft; height, 273 ft; width toe to toe, 2,250 ft. The reservoir will impound 1,400,000 acre-ft. The

powerhouse will have a capacity of 114.000 kw.

More than 2¾ million yd will come out of foundation excavation and dam preparation. Two 30-ft dia tunnels are now being driven, 1,224 ft and 1,677 ft long for power and outlet works, respectively. They will be used for diversion during dam construction. Also included is 3½ mi relocation of U.S.



GOOD HAUL ROADS are the key to efficient earthmoving on a big dam, and here the contractors are paying particular care to drainage by installing AD-40 grader. (A)



RELOCATING US ROUTE 26 is a major operation in itself. Here Kiely Construction Co. slices down a big sidehill cut with the aid of Cat-powered Gardner-Denver compressors and wagon drills. (C)



PIONEERING in rough country to relocate 18 mi of forest roads, Dillsworth & Pumnea tackle a rocky hillside with an Allis-Chalmers HD-20 equipped with a Gar Wood angle dozer. (A)



ALL THIS ROUGH GOING just to get an access road to diversion tunnel portals. Baker bulldozer on an A-C HD-20 cleans blasted rock out of sidehill; wagon drill prepares for more shooting. (A)

# Reclamation Bureau's Biggest Earth Fill

Highway 26 and 18 mi of forest roads. A previous contract for 2½ mi of Route 26 relocation is nearing completion. The powerhouse will have a capacity of 114,000 kw.

Louis B. Ackerman is resident engineer in charge for the Bureau of Reclamation, assisted by Pat O'Donnell.

Palisades Contractors, who hold (Continued on page 99)



UNLIMITED SAND AND GRAVEL supply for concrete aggregates lies in the river valley. Here husky Caterpillar DW-21 tractor and scraper rigs dig a load unassisted for haul to aggregate plant. (C)



KIELY BOTTOMS OUT another big hillside cut on Route 26 relocation with a Caterpillar No. 12 motor grader and D8 bulldozer. Isn't that a beautiful slope?(C)

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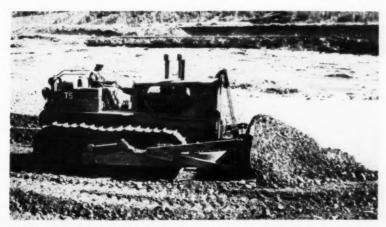
POCKETS IN DAM FOUNDATION must be backfilled with selected material. Euclid end-dumps deliver the material, but it is tucked

into place in deep holes by an A-C HD-5 bulldozer that scampers up and down the steep banks like a bug. (A)



LEYELING UP the base of main embankment, this A-C AD-40 motor grader puts in two 10-hr shifts per day. HD-20 tractors pull sheeps-

foot rollers over the lifts for compaction. And here's another view of the highway relocation. (A)



GRADING THE SWITCH YARD area is just one of many miscellaneous jobs connected with building a big dam. Here an A-C HD-20 tractor and Gar Wood buildozer lift the area out of the mud. (A)

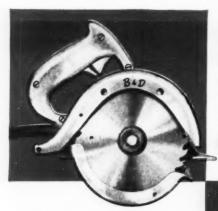
the primary contract for \$29,000,-000, is a combination of J. A. Jones Construction Co., Charlotte, N. C. and Seattle, Wash., and Charles H. Tompkins Co., Washington, D. C. Harold T. Newton is district manager. A. L. Pauls (who recently completed Buggs Island Dam) is project manager, and William J. Kennish is general superintendent.

Principal subcontractors on the project include:

J. A. Terteling & Sons, Inc., Boise, Idaho, power and outlet tunnels.

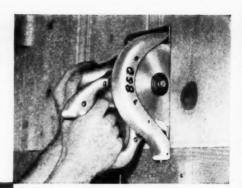
Boyles Bros. Drilling Co., Salt Lake City, Utah, drilling and grouting.

Kiely Construction Co., Butte, Mont., 3½ mi relocation of U. S. (Continued on page 102)



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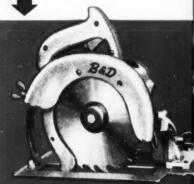
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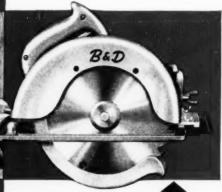


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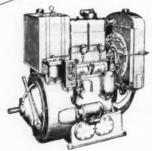
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CLEARING reservoir and dam sites isn't too heavy, but all that brush makes it messy. This Allis-Chalmers HD-20 tractor and Gar Wood bulldozer swamps out 5 acres every 8 hr. (A)



STRIPPING BORROW PITS is another big job, but this Cat DW-21 outfit takes it in stride. Across the Snake River is one borrow pit ready for excavation, and high on yonder hill is a relocated section of U. S. Route 26. (C)

Highway 26. (Jack Olson, Rigby, Idaho, is finishing up previous contract for  $2\frac{1}{2}$  mi relocation Route 26).

Dillsworth & Pumnea, Helena, Mont., 18 mi relocation forest roads.

Union Construction Co., Noxon, Mont., clearing on highway relocations and borrow pits.

Lee Union Construction Co., Missoula, Mont., clearing.

San Jose Steel Co., San Jose, Calif., reinforcing and structural steel and chain link fence around spillway.

Rush Construction Co., Amboy, Wash., aggregate for powerhouse and tunnels.

J. H. Wise & Son, Inc., Boise, Idaho, camp construction.

Brennan Construction Co., Pocatello, Idaho, and Rickenbach & Hokanson Co., Bedford, Wyoming, miscellaneous.

The accompanying pictures tell the story of preliminary operations. Our sincere thanks to Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Co. and Caterpillar Tractor Co. for assisting with pictures and information.

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DIGGING INTO a borrow pit is a P&H 2½-yd shovel loading Euclid end-dumps for hauf to the fill, while an A-C HD-20 with Baker bulldozer keeps the bottom trimmed up. (A)



GOOD HAUL ROADS for the Euclid trucks moving dirt from pits to fill are maintained by A-C AD-40 motor graders. Sprinkler trucks also keep the roads in top condition. There's that highway relocation job again in the background. (A)

SPREADING ROCK in the rockfill section of the dam is a mean job, but the man says this A-C HD-20 and Baker bulldozer outfits move 3,200 cu yd every 10-hr shift—and that's a good day's work. (A)





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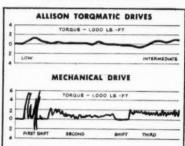
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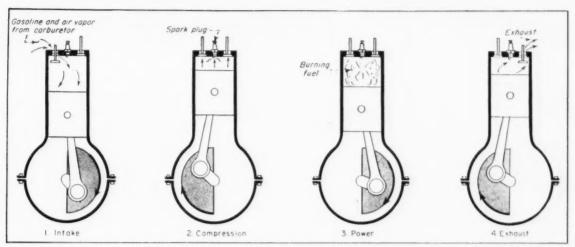


Fig. 1 ...
FOUR-STROKE CYCLE GASOLINE ENGINE operation is well- of the spark-ignition engine is helpful. This is especially true when known to most everyone in construction, but an occasional review comparing gasoline and diesel engine cylinder designs.

# How Four-Cycle and Two-Cycle Diesels Work

By J. W. BROWN Detroit Diesel Engine Div., General Motors Corp.

TO UNDERSTAND ENGINES, it is first necessary to understand what takes place in an engine—how fuel is converted into work. This requires some explanation of the combustion cycle which usually is considered in four parts or "phases"

The four phases of the combustion cycle of an internal combustion engine are: Intake, Compression, Power and Exhaust. Whether the fuel used is gas, gasoline vapor or fuel oil, the four phases of combustion are the same. For illustra-

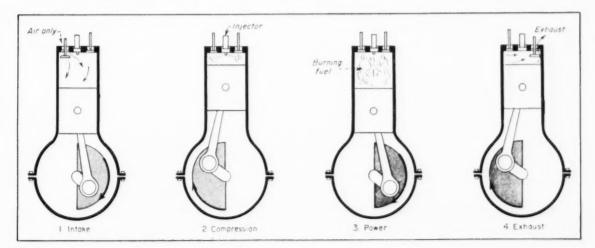
tion we have chosen the two most common types of internal combustion engines—the gasoline and the diesel engine.

Both the gasoline and the diesel engines are built in two forms, the four-stroke cycle and the two-stroke cycle, commonly known as four-cycle and two-cycle engines. The difference between them lies in the number of up-and-down strokes of the piston within the cylinders required to bring about and to make use of the four phases of the combustion cycle.

The most common gasoline engine is the four-stroke cycle engine, such as is used in automobiles. A great many two-stroke cycle gasoline engines are used, however, in outboard motors, motorcycles, lawn mowers, chain saws and similar applications.

Gasoline engines and diesel engines have many parts in common. They both use pistons which move up and down within the cylinders and which are attached to a crankhaft from which power is taken.

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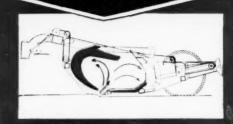
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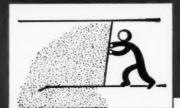
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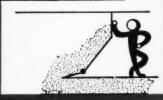
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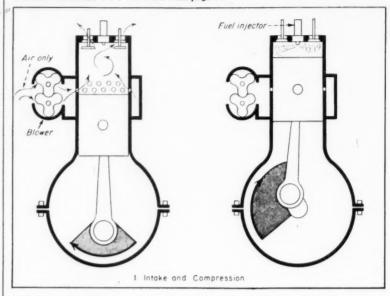
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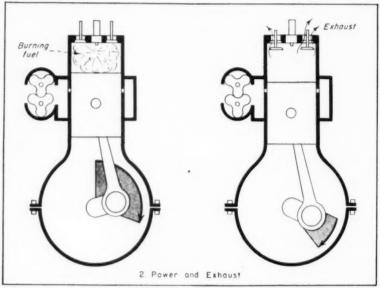


Fig. 3 . . . TYPICAL TWO-STROKE CYCLE DIESEL cylinder delivers power during each revolution of the crankshaft. Atmospheric air is brought in by a blower through side ports when the piston is down, then compressed. Power and exhaust functions occur on the down stroke. Note two exhaust valves.

They both use some type of valve for the intake of gasoline vapor or air and for the outlet of exhaust gases. Both usually use some form of liquid cooling, although some gasoline and diesel engines are cooled by air alone.

The principal difference between the gasoline engine and the diesel engine is the means by which fuel is burned to bring about the third phase of the combustion cycle, Power Liberation. In the case of the gasoline engine, the latent power within the fuel (gasoline vapor mixed with air) is released

by ignition of the fuel through an electric spark.

To bring about this electric spark, a system of batteries or generators, coils, timing apparatus, wires and spark plugs is used. In the diesel engine the Power Liberation phase of the combustion cycle is brought about through the well-known fact of physics—that high compression of air or a gas generates extremely high temperatures.

In a diesel engine, the ratio of compression of the air within the cylinder to the air without is controlled by the engine design so that it reaches a high extreme of from 16:1 to 18:1. This compression of the air in itself generates a temperature of approximately 1,000 deg F, so hot in fact that it would melt tin within the cylinder.

At the apex of this high compression, liquid fuel is injected into the cylinder by a type of pump which is called the fuel injector. Fuel oil, similar to that burned in household furnaces, is forced under high pressure through tiny holes in the tip of the injector. The combination of high pressure and small openings "atomizes" the fuel, so that when it strikes the extremely high temperature within the cylinder it immedately starts to burn. This furnishes the gas expansion in the cylinder which creates downward thrust of the

# Four-Stroke Cycle

Fig. 1 (p. 107) shows in simplified form the four phases of the combustion cycle of a four-stroke cycle gasoline engine. In the first picture, the piston is shown moving downward and drawing the mixture of gasoline vapor and air from the carburetor through an open valve into the cylinder. This is known as the Intake stroke.

In the second (Compression) step, the piston is on its way up, compressing the explosive mixture within the cylinder. In this phase of the cycle, all valves leading into the cylinder are closed. When the piston has almost reached the top of the cylinder and the mixture has been compressed into a volume ratio of approximately 6 to 1, the spark plug comes into action and ignites the charge. The resultant rapid burning and expansion of gases forces the piston down and brings about the third phase of the cycle, the Liberation of Power.

The fourth phase of the cycle, or the Exhaust of Burned Gases, is accomplished by opening a valve as the piston starts upward again, so that the piston may force burnt gases out of the cylinder. After this is accomplished, the exhaust valve closes, the intake valve opens, the piston, carried by the momentum of the flywheel on the crankshaft, is again started downward, and the whole cycle is repeated.

In Fig. 2 (p. 107), 4 phases of the combustion cycle in a four-stroke cycle diesel engine are illustrated. As in the case of the gasoline engine, the piston accomplishes the first phase of the cycle in its down-



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ward stroke. There is this difference, however, in that in a diesel engine only air is drawn into the cylinder - and not a combustible mixture. The air is then so highly compressed in the second (Compression) phase of the cycle that a very high temperature is generated. Fuel is forced in through the injector, as described above, and is ignited by the heat within the cylinder, thus liberating, through the expansion of burning gases, the power within the fuel. The fourth phase of the combustion cycle in a four-stroke diesel engine is exactly the same as in a four-stroke gasoline engine.

Fig. 3 (p. 110) shows how 4

phases of the combustion cycle are made to take place in only two piston strokes in a two-stroke cycle diesel engine. It will be noted that this engine is constructed somewhat differently from the gasoline and the four-stroke cycle diesel engine described above.

In the cylinder wall near the bottom of the stroke of the piston, a series of port holes are provided. As the piston moves upward, the port holes are closed. These port holes serve as intake valves of the engine. The air which supports combustion of the fuel is forced in under pressure by a blower which itself is driven by the engine.

The two valves shown in the top

of the cylinder are both used as exhaust valves. This arrangement enables the two-stroke cycle diesel engine to accomplish the four phases of the combustion cycle, Intake, Compression, Power and Exhaust, in less time and with less pumping action of the piston than is necessary in the four-stroke cycle diesel engine.

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As seen in Fig. 3, the Intake of the two-stroke cycle diesel engine is accomplished by forcing air under pressure by means of the power-driven blower through the intake ports when the piston is near the bottom of its up-and-down travel. When the piston starts upward, it closes the intake ports, the two valves in the top of the cylinder are closed and the air is compressed within the cylinder.

At very near the top of the stroke of the piston, fuel is forced into the cylinder through the fuel injector and begins to burn, causing the gas expansion which generates power. As the piston travels downward and most of this expansion has been utilized as power,

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the exhaust valves open in the top of the cylinder and allow the burned gases to escape. This is the fourth or final phase of the combustion cycle. The escaping burned gases are hastened on their way by the opening of the inlet ports and the in-rush of fresh air under pressure from the blower.

The four phases of the combustion cycle have been accomplished in only two strokes of the piston. It is for this reason that this engine is called a two-stroke cycle, or "two-cycle" diesel engine, in which every downward stroke of the piston is a power stroke.

Considerable controversy has existed and probably always will exist about the relative efficiency and desirability of the four-cycle and the two-cycle diesel engine. There is probably a great deal of truth to be found on both sides of the argument. It is well known that the slower acting and generally heavier four-stroke cycle diesel has been found efficient and satisfactory in many fields of industrial and marine applications, including the generation of power in community lighting plants, and the propulsion of large boats and tugs where weight of the engine is of little consequence.

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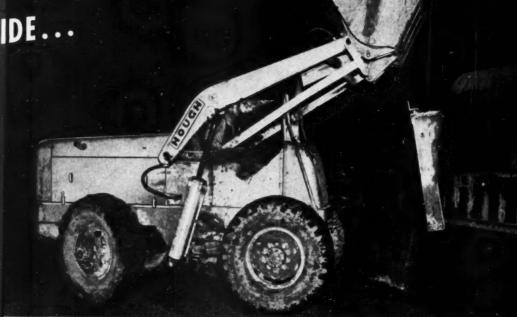
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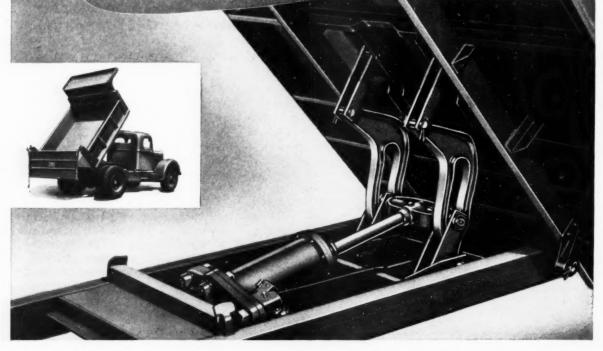
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The finished project, Lexington Dam, has a maximum base width of 1,200 ft and tapers off to 50 ft at the top. A concrete spillway at one end is expected to carry off the largest probable flood on the creek.

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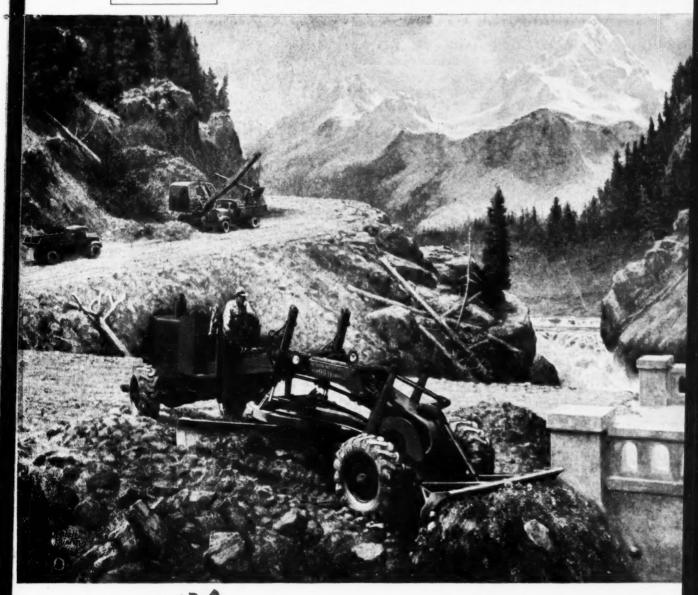
in concrete and winding down the rolling terrain of the valley. The pipeline taps the water by passing through the dam near its base, and flow is controlled by valves at the intake end.

The contract involved the excavation and moving of about 2,000,-000 yd of material at a price of \$1,433,310. Los Gatos Creek, now being controlled by the new dam, was the last major source of water available to the Santa Clara Valley Water Conservation District. The district originally was formed to harvest waste flood waters from surrounding watersheds and charge them into the porous ground strate beneath the valley which form a handy underground reservoir.

Before construction of Lexington Dam could be begun, it was necessary to relocate 1.77 mi of main highway around the site of the dam. Atkinson also won this contract—for some \$1,400,000—and moved approximately 2,000,000 yd of dirt.

This job included the largest highway fill in the history of California roadbuilding. More than one-half of the dirt moved was used on this one fill 800 ft long and with a maximum depth of 135 ft. At the same spot it was necessary to house a creek, running through fill, in a 120-in. concrete barrel, 840 ft long. The new highway has four lanes, a total width of 70 ft.

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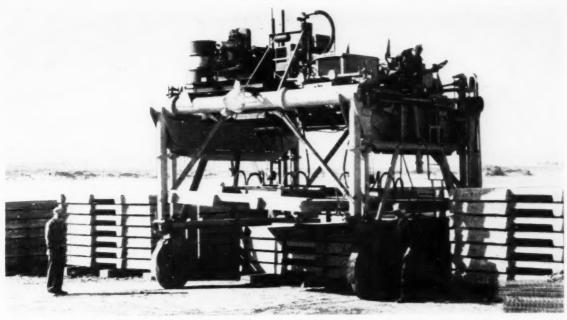
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The "Monster," as it is dubbed affectionately by its designers, was designed for joint-venture contractors, Twaits-Morrison-Knudsen-Macco, who are building 110 barracks and other buildings.

Most of the construction is of precast concrete units, walls being erected with the tilt-up method. Roof slabs—some 5,000 of them—presented a handling problem. They are cast flat, steam-cured for 12 hr, then stacked and air-cured for 14 days; all done on a continuous production-line basis.

Construction of an efficient slabhandling truck was assigned to the Conveyor Co., Los Angeles. Conveyco engineers started with a Hyster CP 116 straddle truck. They widened it 5½ ft to give it 15 ft of inside clearance. Road clearance was upped from 6½ to 12 ft.

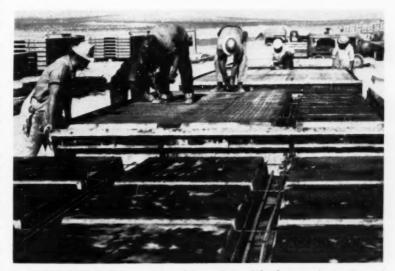
With its increased dimensions, the Monster quickly strips forms and transports the 1½- to 4-ton roof slabs, stacking them seven-high

for curing. Two 3-ton electric hoists installed on the vehicle are powered by a 10-kya generator.

Hydraulic power steering was added to make handling easier under the heavier loads. In spite of these major changes, the straddle truck can be reduced to its original size and form by removing the extras added for casting yard duty.

The sequence of operations in which the special vehicle takes part consists of first stripping the slab from the form, then transporting and stacking in the curing area, where after an air dry of approximately 14 days, it can be delivered to a building under construction. Stripping forms and stockpiling

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transports the 1½- to 4-ton roof slabs, stacking them seven-high re-use. Here reinforcing steel is going in. Project calls for some 5,000 roof slabs.



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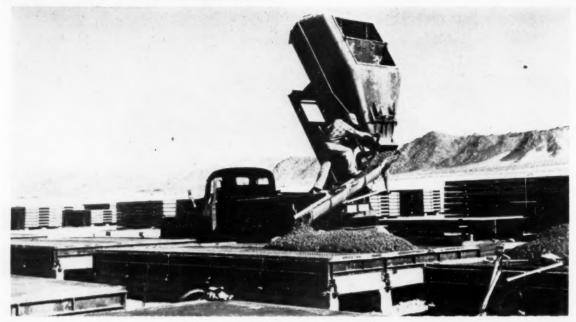
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HIGH-LIFT BODY on International truck pours concrete, mixed on the site, which then is followed by an electric vibrator to get uni-

form concrete. Note neat stacks of curing slabs in background; each piece is kept separated from another by a transverse 2x4.

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SCREEDING FINISHED SURFACE completes pouring operation. Next, slabs are steam-cured for approximately 12 hr (steam plant

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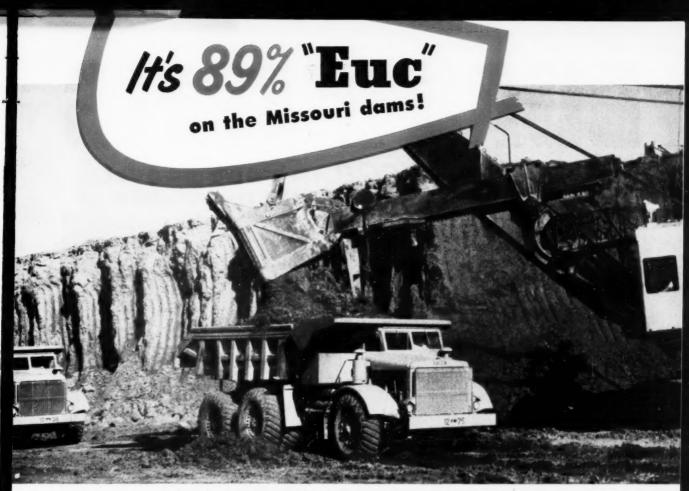




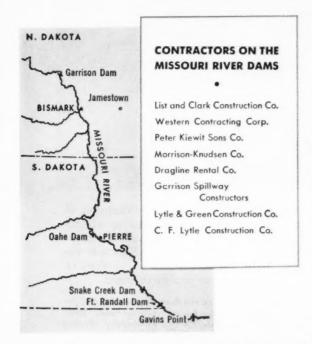
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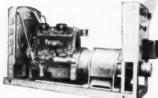






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# What You Should Know About Rope

Rope used on construction jobs will last longer and give a safer and more dependable performance if a few simple rules are followed governing its selection, care and handling.

By JOHN DURGIN, Field Engineer, Plymouth Cordage Co.

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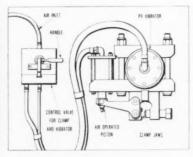
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# **How to Select Rope**

• Construction—How rope is constructed has a definite effect on all its properties such as tensile strength, abrasion resistance and flexibility. Rope is manufactured by twisting fiber into yarns, the yarns into a strand, and then twisting three or more strands into a complete rope. By controlling the amount of twist, a rope can be classified as either hard, standard, medium-soft, soft or extra soft.

For most uses a standard-lay rope is the best. A hard rope has less strength, more abrasion resistance; a soft rope handles easily but abrades more readily. Consult your supplier on the type best suited for your needs.

• Materials—Another factor in selection of rope is the material from which it is made. These break down into two categories; natural fibers (manila, sisal) and synthetic fibers (such as Nylon, Fiberglas).

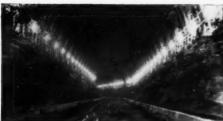
Natural fiber ropes are most generally found in use for construction work with manila being the best all-around fiber. It is 25% stronger than sisal. Nylon is stronger than manila with 1½ to 2 times the tensile strength of the natural fiber, but it has four times manila's working elasticity, which makes it good for some uses, unsuited for others.

• Sizes—The third factor in selecting rope is the question of size. You order rope by size, that is its circumference or diameter, but actually you are interested in strength. Consult the manufacturer's size and strength specifications to insure that you are ordering the rope that will do the job you want it to do.

How strong should a rope be? Good practice dictates a 5 to 1 ratio between the rope and the load it is to lift, when the rope is new. If you intend to lift a load of 1,000 lb you should have a rope with a minimum breaking strength of 5,000 lb. As the rope grows older, that ratio should be increased. After six months of ordinary use make it 10 to 1. If the rope shows abrasive wear, increase the ratio further, depending upon its condition. If the rope shows serious flaws, don't use it!

### How to Pick Accessories

• Pulley Blocks—The strength of the block, not the strength of the rope, determines the load limit. A (Continued on page 137)



Full heading after both top heading and bench have been excavated. Excavated dia,—51 ft.



Main Jumbo for driving top heading-mounts 17 T-350 long-feed drifters on Joy Hydro Drill Jibs.



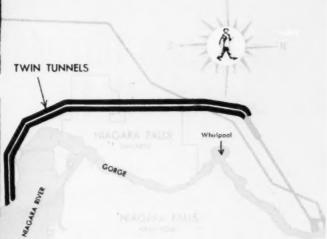
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## ROPE . . . Continued from page 134

good rope is always stronger than the block for a given size of pulley or sheave. Always use the largest diameter sheave practicable. The larger the diameter the less internal friction on the rope. Two main causes of rope wear are too sharp a bend and a block with too little clearance.

• Splices—A knot should not be used to join ropes permanently. Always splice. Here's why: A knot retains only about 50% of the strength of the rope, a properly made splice 85 to 95%.

The "short splice" is the easiest to make—and it is a temptation to use it—but it should be avoided wherever its added bulk would cause serious chafing or wear. The thin "long splice" is best for pulley work, "short splices" for slings. An "eye" splice should be used for permanent ring fastening. The free ends of a rope should always be bound or "whipped" to prevent unravelling.

# How to Use Rope

- Uncoil Carefully—Good rope usage starts when the new coil arrives. Kinks weaken rope. To avoid them, lay the new coil on the floor with the inside end on top; unwind right-laid rope counterclockwise. If it uncoils clockwise, turn coil over, pass the end through the coil, and uncoil.
- Reeve Properly—Align rope properly in sheaves to prevent chafing against pulley blocks. When either block of a pair has more than two sheaves, the hoisting rope or "fall" should lead from one of the center sheaves. This prevents tipping of the block and damage to the rope from cutting across the edges of the block shell.
- Keep Rope in Balance—Adding or removing twist from a rope destroys its balance. Too much twist results in kinks, too little causes the strands to harden, lowers strength. Throw twist in or out as needed.
- Don't Overload—Excessive overloading stretches a rope shortens its life. Those using rope should be instructed on how to determine safe loads for various conditions in pulls, fastening, or slings. Manufacturers will supply easily read tables showing the effect of angle of pull and number of legs on working load. As a general rule, don't use slings or lashings at an angle

greater than 45 deg from a straight pull.

- Avoid Surface Wear—Don't drag rope on ground. Grit and sand cause surface abrasion and will work into strands and cut fibers. Don't drag or rub one rope over another or over rough objects.
- Avoid Sharp Bends Sharp bends reduce tensile strength by straining outer fibers. Avoid tying or pulling rope over sharp corners; if necessary, cushion corners with burlap.

### How to Inspect Ropé

• New Rope—Rope can be stored or handled carelessly in the period between its leaving the manufacturer and reaching you. Inspect carefully. Manila rope should be hard but pliant, feel smooth and silky, have a yellow color with a silverish or pearly luster, be clean and unspotted. Sisal should be yellowish-white with a possible greenish tinge but no gloss. Hemp is softer than manila usually gray in color.

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# ROPE . . . Continued

- Used Rope—Inspection routines vary as follows:
- 1. Inspect before and after each project.
- 2. Inspect daily when rope is used on any jobs where it may be exposed to chemicals.
- 3. Inspect monthly when in regular daily use.
- What to Look for—Inspect the entire length watching for signs of external and internal wear, deteriorations of any kind. In particular check:
- External Wear—Abrasions, cut or broken fibers. Small rope should be discarded if surface yarns show much wear. Larger rope, with more yarns, can be used until outside yarns have worn somewhat deeper.
- Internal Wear—Variations in size or roundness of the strands probably mean torn or cut fibers. To check, unwind (throw out twist) and examine inner surfaces of strands. White powdery residue is caused by grinding of fibers, a danger sign.
- Deterioration Color provides the clues. Chemicals or animal excretions will burn brown or rusty spots into rope. Watch for any signs of discoloration or dry rope. Cut out damaged sections and resplice. As a general rule, a rope that has lost its luster, is discolored, or has a musty odor is no longer safe. If rope no longer feels pliable and has lost its stretch and if it is dry and brittle, it should probably be discarded. Normally rope will deteriorate about 30% in two years from continuous weather exposure alone. Loss of strength from actual usage must be added to this.

### Tips on Rope Care

- Storage—Never store a rope in a damp place. Best storage is in a cool, unheated, dry room with free-air circulation. Place rope in loose coils and hang on wooden pegs, if possible.
- Washing—If the rope gets dirty, it should be washed and dried before re-use or storage. Wash the rope in clean water. You can hang it in loops over a bar and hose it.
- Drying—Never store a wet rope but don't dry against radiators, steam pipes or other heat units. To dry, hang it in a good storage area and allow it to dry naturally.

- Wear—Reverse the rope ends periodically to increase its life.
- Exposure—Always protect rope from exposure to any chemicals that might be in use around a project.
- Final Cautions—Don't lubricate rope. A well-made rope has been properly lubricated by the manufacturer.

# How to Determine Rope Size for a Given Load

To find the pull on the fall rope needed to lift a given weight—divide the weight by the number of ropes, or parts, running from the movable, or lower block and you'll get the theoretical pull required on the fall. However, a friction loss of about 10% for each sheave 3 in. dia or larger, in both fall and movable blocks, should be added.

Example: Load to be lifted is 5,000 lb. Tackle consists of two double blocks, 4 sheaves, 4 rope parts at the movable block. Mechanical advantage, 4. Friction loss, 4 sheaves: 40%.

5,000 lb + 40% = 7,000 lb  $7,000 \text{ lb} \div 4 = 1,750 \text{ lb}$ Pull needed on fall—1,750 lb

Assuming the rope is comparatively new, a safety factor of 5 to 1 is desirable. So 1,750x5 = 8,750-lb rope strength required. Referring to manufacturers' tables, manila rope 1-in. dia, with a minimum break of 9,000 lb, is a safe rope size to use.

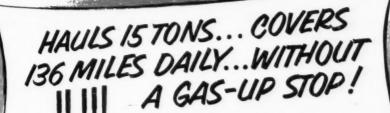
### Reeve It Right

The tackle ordinarily used for hoisting, lowering or moving heavy objects consists of two blocks and a rope. One of the blocks always has a becket opposite its hook or shackle end—to which one end of the rope is fastened.

Where both blocks have the same number of sheaves, the becket is on the fall-block. Where the number of sheaves in the blocks differs the block having the smaller number carries the becket. In reeving, what is to be the becket end of the rope should be passed through the blocks away from the fall and toward the becket. This eliminates having to pull all the rope through all sheaves of the blocks.

When one of a pair of blocks has more than two sheaves, the hoisting rope, or fall, should lead from one of the center sheaves, to

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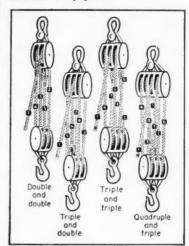
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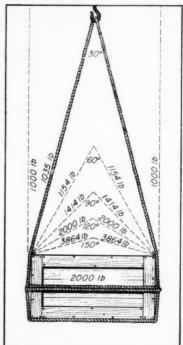


keep the hoisting strain on the center of the blocks. The upper and lower blocks then will be at right angles to each other. This prevents toppling and possible injury to the rope from cutting across the edges of the block shell.

For heavy work, or on permanent attachments, use a shackle block. Remember, too, that maximum strain on the rope is produced by the smallest sheaves.

# Angle Pulls

The accompanying diagram shows different weights of pull ex-



erted on slings of various angles for a 2,000-lb load.

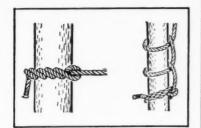
Note that the load on the rope is the same as the load being lifted only at 0-deg angle—or a straight pull. At a 120-deg angle, the load on the rope is doubled, and is almost four times as great with an angle of 150 deg.

There is real danger to life and property, and an absolute disregard for rope economy, when slings or lashings are used at an angle greater than 90 deg. As for the condition of the rope, suppose you had a 3-in. sling in use for 6 months. It looks good but often has been under heavy strain. Play safe and class it at less than its original strength—according to its condition.

### **Know Your Knots**



The bowline: Sometimes called "the king of knots," the bowline never slips if properly tied. To tie it, lay the end of the rope over standing part to form an overhand loop. Pass the end up through the loop, then up behind the standing part—then down through the loop again. Draw up tight.



The timber hitch: A simple, convenient hitch which does not jam, and unties readily. Used mainly to tow or hoist cylindrical objects, it is also useful in handling other shapes. To tie, pass a rope around the object, take a turn with the end around the standing part. Then, turn the end back on itself (Continued on page 144)



Utilizing Twin Disc Clutches in all of its mobile equipment, Blaw-Knox carries out in its power link policy the "complete package" principle it advises to users of paving machinery.

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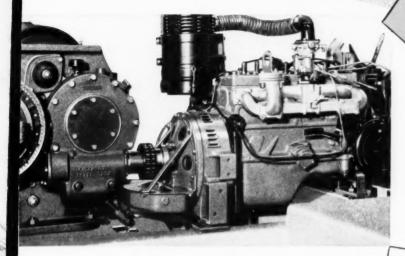
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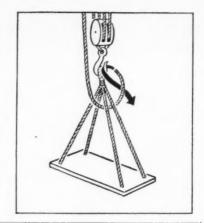
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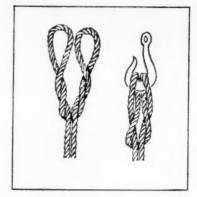
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two or three times, the turns following the lay of the rope. For greater security, or heavier loads, a half hitch is usually added as shown. Make the half hitch first.

Boatswain's hitch: A simple hitch used by most workmen who have to go aloft, like riggers, painters, steeple-jacks. To tie, a bight is pulled forward under the eye support for the chair, ladder or plank. Then a half-turn forms the single hitch required on the hook of the





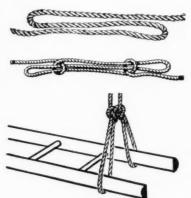
The cat's paw. A very satisfactory hook hitch commonly used in slings for heavy hoisting. Doesn't jam and unties itself when removed from the work. To tie, grasp two bights held well apart-and twist each of them away from you. The two loops thus formed are then brought together and placed over the hook.

The clove hitch: This popular hitch provides a simple method for fastening rope around a spar, plank, or other object. It is sometimes called the "builder's hitch" because



of its extensive use in fastening staging to uprights. To make it, pass the end of the rope around the ob-

ject, a spar for example, then over itself; then over and around the spar, and pass the end under itself and between the rope and the spar as shown. Tighten by pulling on both ends.



The sheepshank: Often used to shorten a rope temporarily, the sheepshank is also valuable as a sling for ladders. To tie, form an "S" loop in the bight, as shown. Then with one free end of the rope, make a half hitch and slip it over



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one of the loops. Tighten, and repeat with the other loop. When used merely to shorten a rope and for greater security, both loops should be "stopped" (wound) to the standing parts.

#### Tackle Terms and Definitions

**Bight**—Any slack part of a rope between the two ends, particularly when curved or looped.

Block—A frame of wood or metal, within which are fitted sheaves or pulleys over which a rope may be led. The pull of the block is increased in direct ratio to the number of sheaves used. Blocks are designated as single, double, triple, etc., according to the number of sheaves in them.

**End**—or running part of the rope, is the free end which, when interwoven with the standing part or the end of another rope, forms a hitch or knot.

Fall—The free end and section of a rope to which the pull is applied in hoisting or moving a load.

Fall Block—The block in a fall and tackle to which pull is applied in hoisting or moving a load.

**Lashing**—A length of rope used to bind anything, or for fastening it to a fixed or more rigid object.

Movable Block—The block, in tackle, to which the load is attached.

**Reeving**—Process of passing the rope through a set of blocks in the proper way so as to prepare for use as tackle.

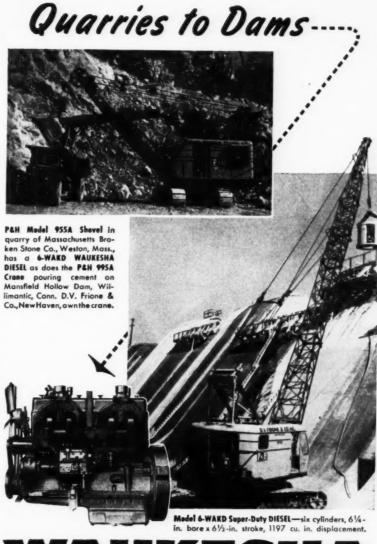
Right-Laid Rope—Rope in which the twist of strands is counterclockwise. When held vertically, the strands of the rope spiral upwards to the right. The less common, left-laid rope has an opposite, clockwise twist and the strands spiral upwards to the left when held vertically.

**Sling**—A rope with ends spliced or knotted together, used in suspending or making fast a tackle around the object to be lifted.

Standing Part—The long inactive length of the rope.

Tackle—Ropes and blocks combined for the purpose of multiplying the pull on an object. What is gained in pulling power, however, is lost in speed. For example, double blocks (four sheaves) increase the pull four times—but the hauling rope must move 4 ft to move the load 1 ft.

Whip—A tackle consisting of a single block and rope. Similar tackle with two blocks is a "double whip."



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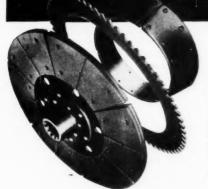
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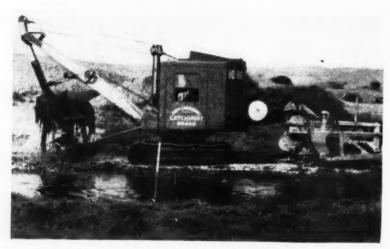
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New Zealanders design a 10-ft bucket . . .



... to mount on a backhoe for ditch work ...



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BECAUSE OF THE NATURE of the terrain, drain maintenance is almost a continuous operation in New Zealand and Australia. Hundreds of miles of irrigation ditches, roadside drains, water races and the like must be cleaned regularly and mechanization has lessened the job considerably. The latest bit of ingenuity was on the part of the South Canterbury Catchment Board in New Zealand whose engineers designed 10-ft long hinged buckets fastened firmly to back-

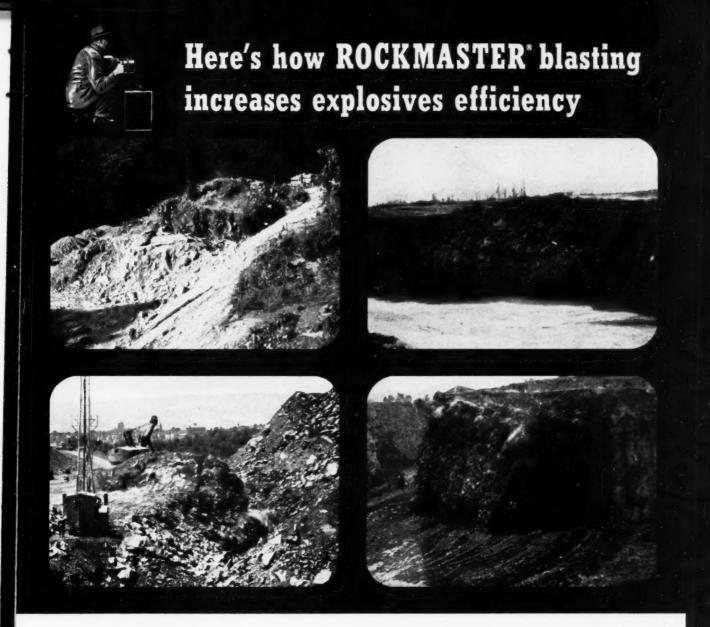
Draglines had been used with 8ft wide buckets. These removed weeds and silt but did not disturb rocks and shingle, because of the lack of control on a dragged bucket. By fastening the new models to backhoes, they were rigidly controlled. Once this system was working well, the same engineers became impatient with the slow rate of travel. An operator would have to stop and lock all boom action, then engage driving gears to move ahead for the next bite. At that spot the reverse was true: Travel gears were disconnected and the boom set into action once again. Simultaneous travel and boom swing is impossible on most machines. Where it is possible, it's impractical. The New Zealanders merely put the backhoe's travel gears in neutral, fastened it to a tractor with a rigid boom connection and, working as a team, the backhoe operator and tractor operator can now complete 6 mi of trench in an 8-hr day.

### It's Automatic

The setup shown here consists of an R. B. 10 Rustom Bucyrus machine, drawn by a Caterpillar D-2 tractor. The backhoe is rated as a 33-hp, 3%-yd machine, but the standard 2-ft, 3-in. bucket was replaced with the new 10-footer. The Board's chief engineer reports that the rig will clean drains all the way from 8-ft bottom width, 3-ft depth and 1:1 side batter to those with 3-ft bottom width, 6-ft depth and 1:1 side batter.

The 10-ft buckets are hinged at points 2½ ft from either end. They are so arranged that the trip lever is automatically released and the contents dropped when the bucket reaches emptying position. When the load is clear, the bucket automatically swings back and locks itself in digging position again.

Additional facilities, now on the design boards, are expected to ease the strain on operators and increase working speed by 20%.



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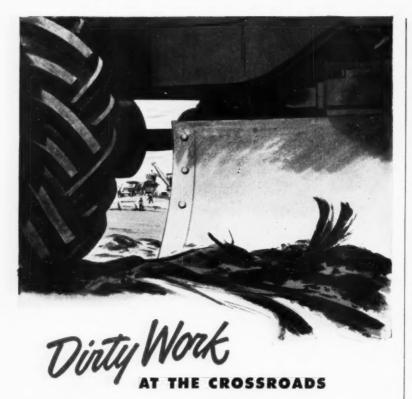
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THE SAFETY RECORD of the Thule Air Force Base (Project Blue Jay) in northern Greenland has saved the government at least \$830,000 in returned insurance premiums. So said S. Bruce Black, president of Liberty Mutual Insurance Co., in presenting a safety plaque to Peter Kiewit, head of North Atlantic Constructors (a combine of Peter Kiewit Sons' Co. Condon-Cunningham Inc., Omaha: and S. J. Groves & Sons Co. and Al Johnson Construction Co., Minneapolis), who built the huge Arctic installation.

Despite the most adverse climatic conditions imaginable, Thule was finished with an accident-frequency record 75% better than the national construction average for the same type of work stateside. During the 1952 construction season, some 5,000 workers completed 8,600,000 man-hours, almost half in Arctic darkness, on the rush job.

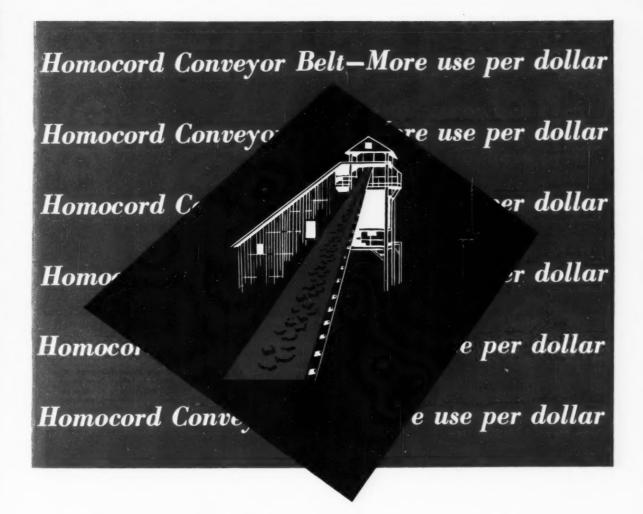
### Safety Records

Some typical safety records: Riggers raising sheet steel for fuel tanks in winds of gale velocity completed 60,687 manhours with only one lost-time accident, and it kept only one man off the job only one day. Drillers finished 23,316 man-hours without a single accident. A steel communications tower almost as high as the Empire State Building was erected in seven weeks with only one minor accident, although men were exposed to winds as high as 125 mph and sometimes could not see the ground because of clouds. About 100,000 tons of dynamite were exploded during base construction without serious accidents.

"This remarkable saving of life and property resulted from 100% cooperation and active interest on the part of the builders in the safety methods of the insurance loss-prevention engineers," Black said. "It proves that pre-planning can drastically reduce accident potentials, even under the worst

weather conditions."

The Kiewit company's Jack Altig was project manager on the combine's Thule job. The Greenland project was under the supervision of the Northeast District, Corps of Engineers, for whom Col. Morton Solomon is district engineer.



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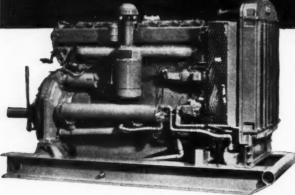






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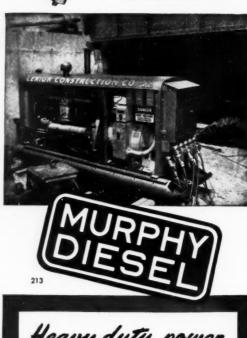
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SOIL-CEMENT stabilized base for Hollywood Freeway is prepared by this neat traveling plant arrangement. Top 4 in. of 16-in. selectedmaterial base is scarified and windrowed to receive stabilizing cement. Barber-Greene loader at left of equipment fleet loads

cement-enriched material into 8-6 traveling plant, when water is added, and moistened mix is deposited in front of Johnson spreader. Water for traveling plant is supplied by tractor-drawn tank, fed by water truck to rear.



under five bridges spanning freeway. Contractors and engineers be-

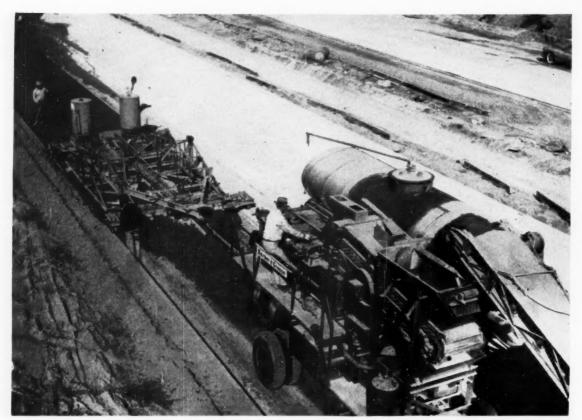
LOADER had to be lowered to clear 15-ft overhead clearances lieve shortened loader belt adds to mixing efficiency of equipment fleet. Travel speed of fleet is 18 fpm.

# **Traveling Asphalt Plant Mixes Soil-Cement Base**

Photos and Information from Barber-Greene Co.

IN PAVING a three-quarter mile section of the Hollywood Freeway in Los Angeles for the California State Highway Department, Webb & White, Los Angeles contractors, adapted a Barber-Greene 848 Travel Plant for preparation of the cement-stabilized base.

The job involves eight 12-ft strips of 8-in. concrete paving in depressed sections, crossing under



TRAVELING PLANT discharges moistened soil-cement mix in front of rebuilt Johnson spreader, which transforms windrow of proc-

essed material into even layer across 12-ft strip ready for sub-sequent roller compaction.



HERE'S HOW the Johnson spreader leaves processed top layer of soil-cement stabilized base for compaction by rollers. Caterpillar grader with blade controlled by rubber tires riding concrete and forms, shapes the base to finished grade and contour.

five overhead bridges, divided into separated traffic ways of four lanes each. Adapting the equipment to pass under the limited overhead bridge clearances of 15 ft was one of the contractor's major problems.

The base consists of selected and graded materials compacted to 95% density to a depth of 16 in. Then steel forms are set, and the top 4 in. of each 12-ft lane is scarified and windrowed for mixing with cement.

Base material weighs 130 lb per cu ft, to which is added portland cement, 234% by weight, spread over the windrow either by hand with bagged cement or by calibrated bulk cement feeder trucks. This material is then picked up by a Barber-Greene loader, transferred to the 848 Travel Plant where water is added to obtain 11% total moisture.

The travel plant discharges the moistened mix in a windrow, which is spread to 6-in. thickness by a Johnson longitudinal spreader. Travel plant and spreader are pulled by the loader.

The Barber-Greene 848 Travel (Continued on page 156)



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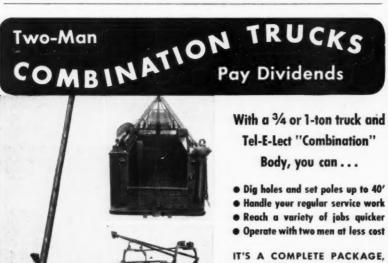
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#### ASPHALT PLANT ...

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Plant, furnished and altered by Brown-Bevis-Industrial Equipment Co. of Los Angeles, is designed to allow uninterrupted mixing under the low bridges. The B-G 82-A bucket loader, prime mover and advance unit of the equipment array, is lowered accordingly and fitted with a short belt conveyor to transfer the material to the apron feeder of the travel plant pugmill. These units are handling 14,000 tons of material on this one job.

### Produce 248 tph

Travel speed of the fleet is 18 fpm, despite the fact that the loader tows both the travel plant and a Johnson float finisher rebuilt for spreading the soil-cement mix. Production is averaging 248 tons per hr. based on a 55-min-per-hr operation. Auxiliary equipment includes a 2,000-gal water truck, pulled by a wheel tractor, supplied by a feeder water truck.

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Because the travel plant and spreader are towed by the loader as an integral assembly, the rollers

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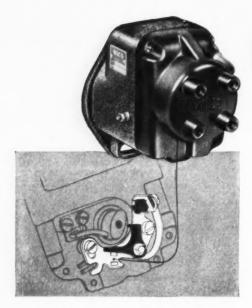
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and grader can follow closely behind, working to full advantage in fresh material, with a time elapse of less than 30 min from picking up of windrow to completion of stabilized base. Then, too, at least 30 ft of clean subgrade is always open to inspection.

The design of the special pickup of the bucket loader is such that all oversize rocks are kicked to one side, and not processed through the plant. When not busy with the travel plant, the bucket loader handles excess roadway material into trucks for disposal. The travel plant will be utilized for preparation of soil-cement stabilized base under 4-in. asphaltic concrete for approach ramp paving.

James White is in charge of operations for Webb & White, and Ray Mason is job superintendent. Spencer Webb, of the contracting firm, has just been elected president of the Southern California Chapter, Associated General Contractors of America. R. A. Collins is resident engineer for the California State Highway Department.

### The History of Construction

### As It Was in the Beginning

## Ancient Chariots Built the West

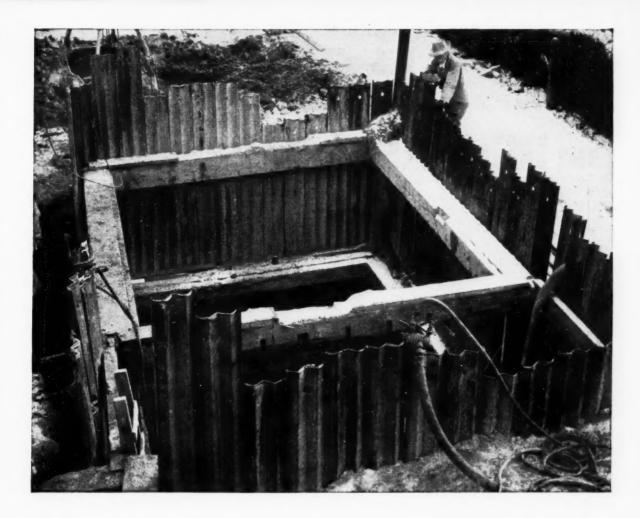


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# On-the-Job Contractor-Labor Relations

\_by LEON B. KROMER, JR.

### Pay Controls Have Ended but...

DON'T THROW AWAY records of wage and salary increases granted during the two years controls were in effect. Keep all letters of approval from the Wage and Salary Stabilization Boards and decisions of the Construction Industry Stabilization Commission that support increases you paid. Although the Wage Stabilization Board has announced that it will retain only a staff sufficient to finish all enforcement cases under way, the Bureau of Internal Revenue can go back 3 yrs in checking returns and could impose disallowances of illegal payments during the period controls were in effect.

Here's what you can do now that controls are off:

- 1. On and after Feb. 6, 1953 (the decontrol date) you can increase or decrease wages and salaries without any approval.
- 2. Wage increases agreed upon through collective bargaining and for which approval had been requested from CISC may be put into effect in accordance with the agreement.
- 3. Wage increases or fringe benefits agreed upon may now be put into effect even though the stabilization agency had modified or denied the adjustment. Example: Co. A is a party to an agreement with a building trades union providing for a welfare fund based upon an employer contribution of 10¢ per hr effective July 1, 1952. CISC modified this to 7½¢ per hr. It is now permissible for Co. A to go back and pay the 2½¢ difference from July 1, 1952.
- 4. If an agreement was reached before Feb. 6, 1953 providing for wage increases but no petition had been submitted to the stabilization agency the agreed upon rates may be paid in accordance with the agreement.

Decontrol was good news for the (Continued on page 167)

# New Sinctair Grease for Heavy Duty Equipment

Tests prove New Grease
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construction industry according to spokesmen for both the contractors and building trades unions. It was felt that now contractors and unions will have to bargain realistically in the light of economic conditions in their area.

### More Brawn for the National Joint Board

To strengthen the National Joint Board for Settlement of Jurisdictional Disputes (CM&E June 1952, p. 120) the Executive Council of the Building Trades Department proposes a reorganization of the Board's membership. This is a result of action taken by the Council at its recent meeting in Miami.

The plan provides for four regular members and four alternates. A member would be disqualified if his union or company is involved in a jurisdictional dispute before the Board. An alternate would take his place. The Associated General Contractors and the specialty contractors must approve the plan before it can be formally

Building Trades Department officials won't comment, but it is known that they hope this action will mean the return of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers to participation in the Board's procedures.

### **Enforcement of the** Wage-Hour Law

Recheck your payrolls and pay practices for compliance with the Wage-Hour Law (CM&E Mar. 1952, p. 98) to be sure you are paying covered employees at least the 75¢ per hr minimum wage and at least time and one-half their basic hourly rate for all hours worked in excess of forty in a regular week. A recent report issued by the Department of Labor Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Divisions states that contractors paid, for failure to comply, more than \$480,-000 in back wage payments to almost 7,000 employees during 1952. This excludes payments contractors may have been required to make as a result of court action taken by employees. These payments can also include double damages.

If you aren't sure about an employee's coverage under the Act you can:

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# Our plans didn't cover bungling... or a leaky roof!

(A true story based on Company Files #185B4921 and #185B5145)

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In your own contracting operations, you know how frequently blueprints, engineering plans, drawings and tracings are exposed to damage or loss.

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But have you ever considered how much that can cost you? Even a series of small losses can add up to important money . . . one large one can run into thousands of dollars.

That's why it is virtually a business

necessity for contractors to have Records Damage Insurance that will provide the money to restore or replace plans, blueprints, etc.-your own, or those that have been entrusted to you.

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### LABOR . . . Continued

- 1. Ask for information from the nearest Regional Office of the Wage and Hours and Public Contracts Divisions. (Offices are located in most major cities.)
- 2. Take no risks and set up the employee's salary so that you comply with the law. (Put the employee on an hourly rate and pay time and one-half for more than 40 hr worked in a week.)
- 3. Ask your lawyer. It pays off to avoid violations, Enough backwage payments can make a good job turn sour!

### Do You Know That...

moved their international headquarters to Washington? This was announced by Dave Beck, president of the union, who indicated that temporary offices will be in the new AFofL Letter Carriers Building at 1st and Indiana Avenue, N. W.

... Representative Sam McConnell of Pennsylvania is the new chairman of the House Labor Committee? He will take a leading role in any proposed revisions of Taft-Hartley. ...the Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics will continue to publish the "old series" consumers price index until June 30, 1953? Many wage contracts provide for changes in wage rates based on this index. Be sure that any agreements now being negotiated to run after June of this year don't contain such a provision. The "new series" can be used as it's now being published and is considered the Bureau's official cost-of-living index.



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Then a 7- to 9-ft length of 12-gage, 12-in. Armco Spiral Welded pipe was set on top of the wood pile—which had a diameter of about 14 in. The mandrel inserted into the casing had a collar welded to it 4 in. short of the length of the casing. When driving began, the casing was driven 4 in. into the wood, sealing the joint.

Driving was continued to the required depth, as deep as 40 ft, and concrete poured into the casing. Composite piling was specified because ground water level comes within 10 ft of the surface, and long lengths of creosoted piling were not in sufficient supply. The job required 1,000 piles, each designed to carry 25 tons.



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### ▲ 6-Ton "TL-10" Truck-Crane — For Mounting on Your Truck

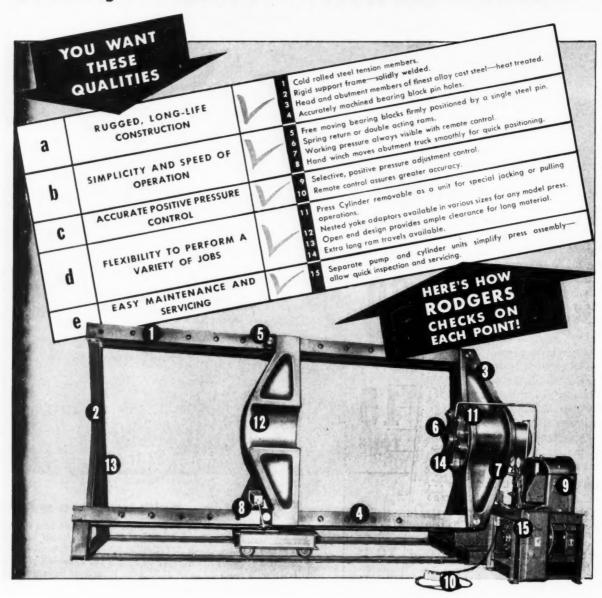
Left — This Lorain Truck-Crane, Model "TL-10", is shown mounted on a modified Autocar "4x4" chassis. It is the newest and smallest machine built by Thew-Lorain. The new "TL-10" turntable is available for field mounting on your new or used truck. In this small machine, Thew-Lorain has incorporated all of the famous Lorain quality and design features normally found in larger types. You get low first cost plus high operating efficiency in the "TL-10".

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### Remember These ...

THE MEMPHIS CHAPTER, Associated General Contractors of America, regularly publishes its "AGC News" for the membership. A recent issue was devoted to construction safety. Here are some mighty sensible and workable safety tips for every job.

### MATERIAL HANDLING:

Lift with legs instead of your back.

Avoid overstrain; get help if necessary.

Pile materials so they cannot topple over.

Do not dislodge materials when taking supplies from piles, trucks or freight cars.

When nail kegs are opened, remove nails used to hold covers.

Do not throw materials from heights unless roped off or a watchman posted.

Protruding nails should be removed promptly.

When forms are wrecked, keep lumber in piles until it can be cleaned and processed for re-use.

Make sure runways have smooth surfaces and are wide enough to allow free movement of wheel barrows and concrete buggies.

Carefully select drivers to operate gasoline-powered concrete buggies. Speed of these vehicles should be regulated by job conditions.

### **ELECTRICAL HAZARDS:**

Post danger signs around highvoltage lines or transformers. Banks of transformers should be fenced off.

Protect electric light bulbs with wire guards.

Only qualified electricians should make electrical repairs or do any new wiring.

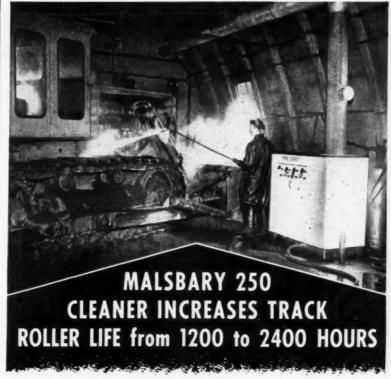
All motors and portable electric tools should be properly grounded.

Rubber mats should be provided in front of panel boards.

Use approved type fuse pullers when changing fuses.

Use rubber gloves for high voltage work and test them regularly.

Any safety equipment which is used on high voltage work (hot sticks, rubber blankets, sleeves, safety belts, etc.) should be well cared for, kept dry and tested regularly.



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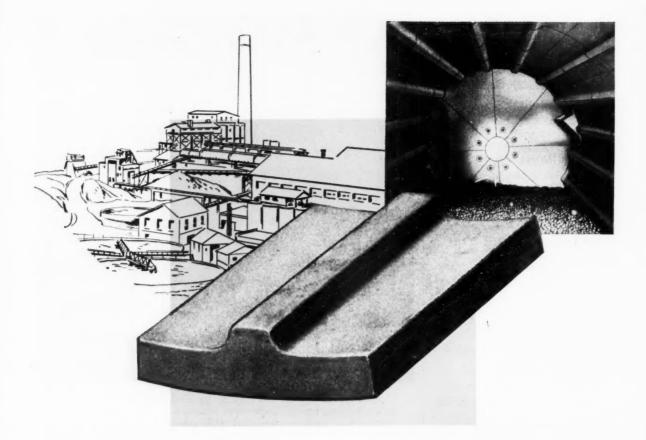
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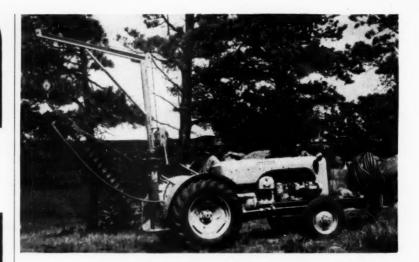
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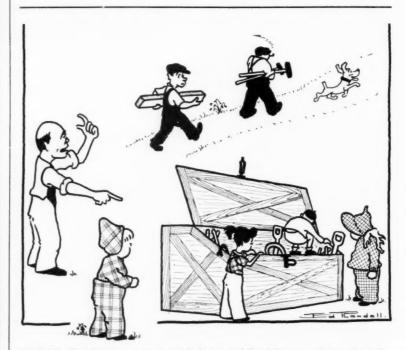


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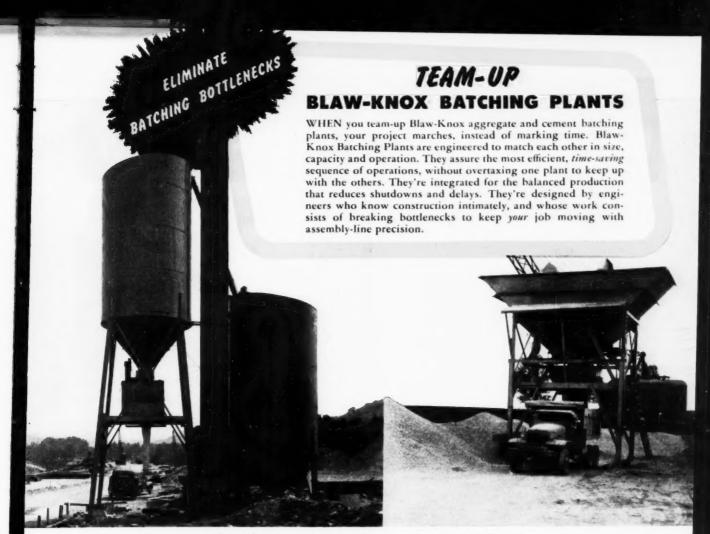
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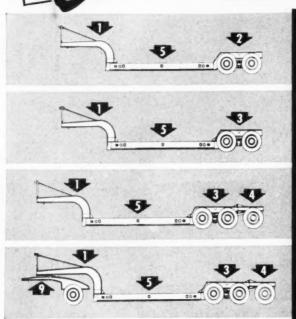
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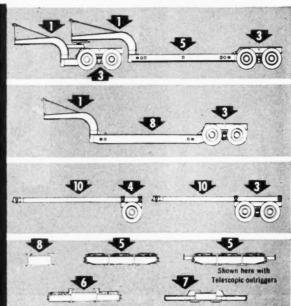
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# PROSPERITY IN THE USA: How Deeply in Debt Are We?

How prosperous *are* the people of the United States? Previous messages in this special series have answered this question in part by recording the progress—relatively slow progress—we have made in increasing both the income and the wealth per person in the USA.

This fourth and concluding piece of the special series deals with the extent to which our prosperity should be discounted because it has been accompanied by an increasing volume of debt. Many correspondents have suggested to us that an individual or a nation can temporarily increase prosperity by borrowing, but in so doing lives on both borrowed goods and borrowed time. Our purpose here is solely to throw light on the question of whether or not we are now in that unenviable position.

On January 1, 1953, the total debt of the United States government and of its citizens was \$627 billion, as shown in the table below. On its face, a debt of this magnitude, which represents about \$3,900 of debt for each person, suggests that we are heavily debt-ridden.

#### TOTAL DEBT - PUBLIC AND PRIVATE

Federal government debt	\$267	billion
State and local debt	. 30	n
Private debt		
Corporations	. 195	
Individuals	. 135	**
	\$627	billion

The burden of our debts, however, does not depend simply on their size. It depends in much more decisive degree on our capacity to carry the load successfully. This capacity, in turn, is partly a matter of attitude, and attitudes defy objective measurement. A community that gets very jittery about its debts has less capacity to carry its burden successfully than one that does not. But the accurate measurement of jitters, present or prospective, still remains to be mastered.

#### Capacity to Carry the Debt Load

Nonetheless, it is possible to throw some light on our capacity to carry the debt burden by studying key economic elements that can be measured with some degree of accuracy. The following paragraphs indicate how some of these key economic elements stand.

Compared with our national income, the total volume of our debts, public and private, is still well below the level of 1929, when it proved to be too big for the good of the country. Our total debt is now 113% greater than the national income whereas in 1929 it was 146% greater.

There are several other cheering facts about our debts. One is a sharp decline in interest rates which makes the cost of carrying our debts relatively much less than it was in 1929. It took 8% of our total national income to carry our debts in 1929; it takes only about 5% of the income today.

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#### **More Cheering Facts**

We also have much more ready cash now than in 1929. Today individuals and corporations hold a total of \$269 billion in cash or its equivalent which is almost twice as much as the portion of private short-term debt (about \$140 billion) that is subject to sudden demand for payment.

Many students of the subject cite the relatively low cost of carrying our debts and the large volume of cash on hand, and reach the comfortable conclusion that our debt burden is nothing to worry about. In further support of this view they emphasize the fact that no important part of our debt is owed abroad. Hence, they reason there is not the danger, so conspicuous in Britain since the end of World War II, that our economy will be upset by the necessity of making heavy debt payments to other countries.

#### Some Dangers of Present Debt

However, the nature of our debts presents dangers that it would be foolish to ignore. This is true of both the debt of \$267 billion owed by the federal government to its citizens and the \$330 billion in private debts owed by some citizens and corporations to others.

Public debt can be a dangerous kind of debt because government has the power to print money or to create its equivalent by expanding bank credit. Of the \$215 billion that the federal government borrowed during World War II, over \$90 billion was borrowed from banks. This was the largest single contributor to the inflation of prices that since the war has robbed the dollar of about half of its purchasing power, and thereby robbed the buyers of government bonds of about half the purchasing power these bonds were supposed to represent.

If, as is quite possible, a new emergency should again require the federal government to borrow heavily while its debt remains so high, it is doubtful that the public would be avid to buy its bonds. Hence, the government might again be forced to resort to the inflationary process of relying on bank credit.

Private debts can be dangerous if the people

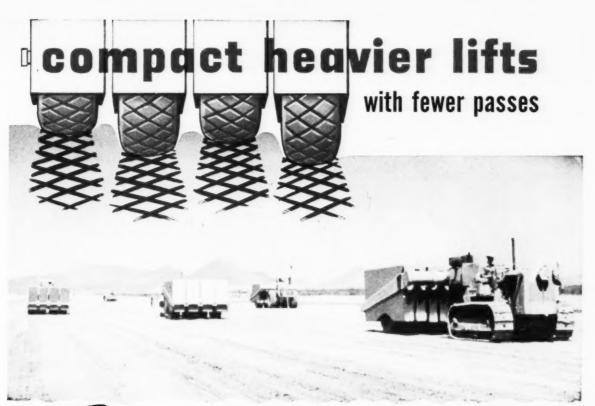
take on new debts more rapidly than is justified by the growth of business or by their ability to repay. Last year bank loans were increased by the imposing sum of about \$6½ billion, which represents an increase of about 11% in total loans outstanding. This is almost twice as much as the increase in the volume of business over the same period. Installment credit for consumers increased by \$3 billion last year, again an increase in debt about twice as great as the increase in business volume in the fields where the credit was used. It is also the fastest rate of such growth in our history.

#### Constructive Use of Credit

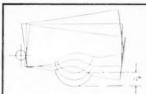
So long as the expansion of credit does no more than keep pace with expansion in the volume of business, the expansion is constructive. Also, when credit is expanded to acquire resources and equipment that will enlarge the volume of business a little later, that use is clearly constructive. But when private credit expansion begins to run ahead of business growth, it is time for us to be heads up. Such credit expansion courts price inflation. It also creates a forced draft under business so that, if credit is cut off, there may be a painful drop.

To give a summary answer to the question: Is the level of debt in the United States a danger to our prosperity? - the answer seems to be, "Not at the moment." We owe nothing abroad. The interest burden on present debt is relatively small, and we appear to have the resources to handle the short-term debt. Yet both the total amount of debt and the recent rapid increase in total private debt, especially the latter, are enough to signal for caution. We need restraint on the part of business and consumers to avoid expanding private borrowing at an excessive rate. The federal debt needs to be reduced and put in more manageable form. If these things are done, we can proceed to build a sound prosperity.

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Independent Pneumatic Tool Co.: Thor Contractor Tools will be distributed exclusively in Georgia by R. S. Armstrong & Bros. Co., Atlanta.

Pennsylvania Crusher Co.: Has appointed The Mine and Smelter Supply Co., 1422 17th St., Denver 17, Colo., and 1515 11th St., El Paso, Tex., as representative in New Mexico, Arizona, western Texas, Colorado, western Kansas, Nebraska and South Dakota, and eastern Wyoming and Montana. The Alliger and Sears Co., 2203 Fannin St., Houston, Tex., will represent Pennsylvania Crusher in central and eastern Texas and southern Louisiana; Tampa Armature Works, Inc., 401 S. Morgan St., Tampa 1, Fla., in Florida and southern Georgia.

The Warner & Swasey Co.: Announces the appointment of five distributors for the Gradall Earthmover. Leonard Motor Co., Albuquerque, will handle sales and service of the multi-purpose unit throughout New Mexico; Huggard Equipment Co., Winnipeg, will handle the Province of Manitoba; J. D. Evans Co., Rapid City and Sioux Falls, S. D., will cover South Dakota; Rocky Mountain Machinery Co., Salt Lake City, will handle Utah and bordering counties in Idaho and Wyoming; C. B. Stilwell Equipment, Inc., Omaha, will cover Nebraska and western Iowa.

#### On the Sales Front

Certain-teed Products Corp.: Creation of a new Technical Sales Division has been announced. The new division will handle sales of the company's products used by industry in heavy and commercial construction and will be headed by Carl E. Berzelius. Eastern regional sales manager is William A. Whittier;

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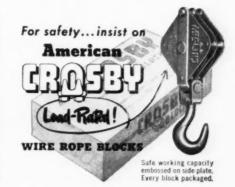
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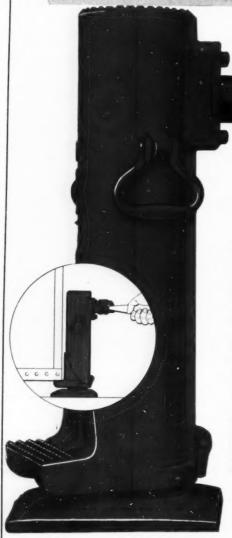
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#### SALES AND SERVICE

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western regional sales manager, Joseph D. Tormey. Headquarters for the division will be at the company's main offices at Ardmore, Pa.

Armco Drainage & Metal Products, Inc.: The appointment of two new division managers has been announced. Tom M. Neibling has been appointed manager of the southwestern division with headquarters at Houston, Tex. William O. Robertson has been named manager of the eastern division with offices at Baltimore, Md.

**Luria Engineering Co.:** Grant A. Sattem has been promoted from general sales manager to vice-president in charge of sales.

Madsen Iron Works, Inc.: Announces the appointment of Glenn F. Worthington as sales manager.

Timken Roller Bearing Co.: Has announced the appointment of John Fellows as field engineer. His headquarters will be at the company's Milwaukee office.

U. S. Steel Corp.: Appointment of William K. Markwell as director of sales for Gunnison Homes, Inc., U. S. Steel's housing subsidiary, has been announced.

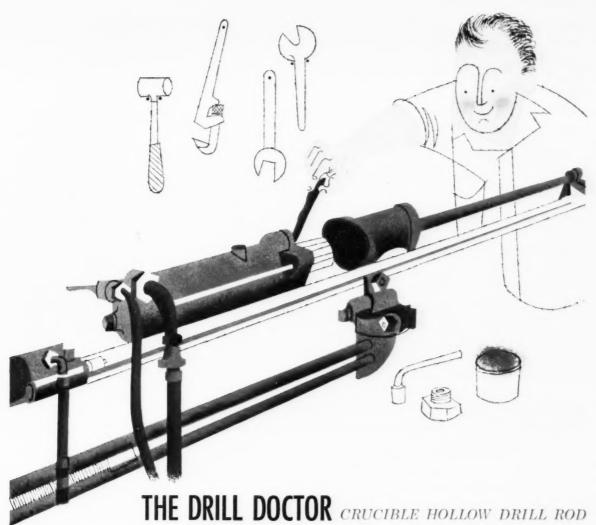
Chain Belt Co.: The Construction Machinery Division announces four changes involving sales personnel. Parker "Red" Eddy is appointed district sales manager of the Los Angeles office; John Heinrich district sales manager for the Kansas City office; Roy L. Peck has joined the division as a truck-mixer specialist with headquarters in Milwaukee; Frank Peddar is appointed special sales engineer for Rex De-Watering Pumps.

Hercules Motors Corp.: The increased use of Hercules gasoline and diesel engines and power units throughout the oil fields has resulted in the opening of new sales and service facilities in Oklahoma City. The new branch is located at 1117 Exchange Ave. and will be under the supervision of J. A. Embry, manager of Hercules Oilfield Division.

Schield Bantam Co.: Announced the appointment of C. W. Sholvin as district manager in a newly created sales territory covering eastern Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Virginia and Maryland.

The Four Wheel Drive Auto Co.: G. F. DeCoursin has been appointed general sales manager.

The Heil Co.: H. C. Hummel will (Continued on page 186)



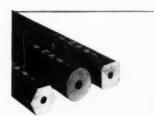
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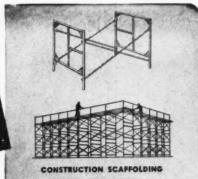
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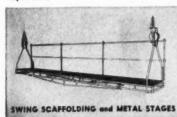
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#### SALES AND SERVICE

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represent the Road Machinery Division in the Atlanta, Ga. district

Stewart-Warner Corp.: The appointment of William V. Ryan to general sales manager of the South Wind Division has been announced.

Macwhyte Co.: Thomas E. Burns has been appointed direct factory representative with headquarters in Houston, Tex. He will represent Macwhyte in their Houston territory including an area in Louisiana.

Mine Safety Appliances Co.: Has established headquarters and warehouse facilities in Kansas City for a new nine-state sales district. The new district includes Kansas, Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota, Wyoming, eastern Montana and North and South Dakota. Named sales manager of the new district was C. H. Mehaffey, former assistant manager of the Industrial Department of the company at Pittsburgh.

Quaker Rubber Corp., Div. of H. K. Porter Co., Inc.: The appointment of J. R. Alexander as general sales manager has been announced.

Harnischfeger Corp.: The promotion of George A. Schmus to manager of the Parts and Service Department has been announced. Mr. Schmus was formerly traffic manager.

R. G. LeTourneau, Inc.: Harry R. Powers, former eastern area sales manager, has been promoted to the post of domestic sales manager, succeeding R. P. Nichols who has joined the newly appointed LeTourneau distributor, Ryan Equipment Co. of St. Louis, Mo.

#### In the Main Office

Rosco Mfg. Co.: The election of J. A. (Jack) Miller as president has been announced. Mr. Miller was previously secretary of the company.

The Baker-Lull Corp.: Gilbert C. Strege has been appointed president. In confirming the appointment, the board of directors also approved the change in company name from the Lull Mfg. Corp.

#### **Special Mention**

Euclid Road Machinery Co.: Is setting up a spanking new replacement parts department under a separate division of the company to speed delivery and maintain sufficient inventory lead to meet all foreseeable demands.

Automatic International Business Machines glean pertinent information from coded cards, translate it (Continued on page 188)

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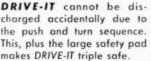


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D-16	550	7	6								
W-16	650		9								
H-18	735			8	7	6					
H-20	795			10	9	8	7				
L-20	870			121/2	11	10	9	8			
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#### SALES AND SERVICE

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into names and numbers on inventory sheets and (this is uncanny!) make out invoices for orders shipped—including the customer's name and address.

The parts program also introduces a distinctive new package for all Euc parts, with the familiar Euclid green label and its silhouetted "pioneer" prominent for ready identification.

Gar-Bro Mfg. Co.: New manufacturing facilities for concrete placing equipment have been set up in Peoria, Ill. The company plans to speed up its deliveries, at minimum freight cost, by manufacturing buckets, power-carts, hoppers and its 200 other concrete-handling items at both Peoria and Los Angeles. Walter F. Dexter will be in charge of the Peoria plant as resident manager.

The Dico Co.: Recently expanded its manufacturing operations in the material-handling field by purchasing the wheelbarrow business of the General Wheelbarrow Co. of Wichita, Kan.

A. O. Smith Corp.: Construction of a new and utlra-modern electrode plant in Lancaster, Pa., planned for completion by late July, has been started. The Pennsylvania site will mean a substantial saving in freight costs, as well as improved delivery service to customers.

#### **Association Activities**

Truck Mixer Manufacturers Bureau, National Ready Mixed Concrete Assn.: Otis H. Manchester, Jr., secretary-treasurer of Concrete Transport Mixer Co., St. Louis, was elected chairman at the annual meeting of the Bureau in Chicago.

Construction Industry Mfrs. Assn.: The following officers were elected to serve for the coming year—Harald T. Reishus, president; Ray McLean, 1st vice-president; L. G. Schraub, 2nd vice-president; Roy E. McCluskey, secretary-treasurer; and Harold F. Hess, executive vice-president.

Structural Clay Products Inst.: Has announced the appointment of Henry E. Bollman as executive director, a new post created by the Institute's board of directors.

American Road Builders' Assn.: Robert M. Reindollar, consulting engineer of Baltimore, was elected president at the association's convention held in Boston, Feb. 9-11. Other officers elected at the meeting include—four regional vice-presidents: Charles M. Noble for the Northwestern District; W. G. Pruett, Southern District; Julien R. Steelman, Central District; and Harmer E. Davis, Western District. Jennings Randolph was returned as treasurer.



Constructing a plantmixed Texaco Asphalt pavement of the cold-laid type on Indiana State Highway 28 near Alexandria. Old pavement was widened and underscaled with asphalt. Contractor-Brooks Construction Co., Fort Wayne, Indiana

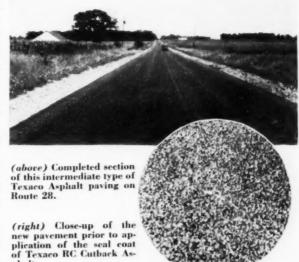
Indiana gives old highway a new intermediate-type Asphalt surface

Indiana chose one of the intermediate types of asphalt construction when it modernized this section of State Route 28 last year. The new surface is of the plant-mixed, cold-laid type, in which a Texaco Rapid-curing Cutback Asphalt serves as binder for the broken stone aggregate. This surface was put down in two courses, with an interval of five days between courses for curing and setting up. A seal coat of RC Cutback, covered with chips, completed the new pavement.

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#### LeTourneau pictures of the month ...



BAGDAD HAULER — This 40-ton Tournarocker is cope of Bagdad Copper Corp's haul units. The company, which mines copper at Bagdad, Ariz, also owns a 50-ton Tournarocker. Cycle of 4500 ft takes the 40-ton 'Rockers 11.2 min, despite 650

ft of 10% adverse grade and narrow haul roads. Cycle time includes 2 min to load from a 4-yd shovel, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  min to spot and dump. Disc-type 4-wheel air brakes let operator haul in 3rd gear along the narrow benches with complete confidence and safety.

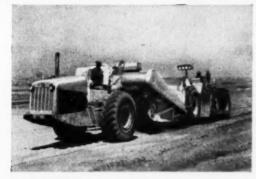


SCRAPER BECOMES DOZER — Down in sports-loving Uruguay, this D Tournapull self-loaded 52,300 yds of clay to level a site for a new stadium. Hourly output averaged 100 yds. With its dozer blade, the "D" also dozed fill and broke up the surface of a highway which crossed the stadium area.



22% MORE COAL — Stockpiling coal for a power station in Rhode Island, Tournatractor dozed 16,850 cu ft (420 tons) of coal in 2 hrs . . . outproduced a crawler-tractor working under identical conditions by 77 tons (or 22%). Coal was moved 190 ft down a gradual slope, then over a steep 25-ft bank.

#### Performance reports on LeTourneau equipment



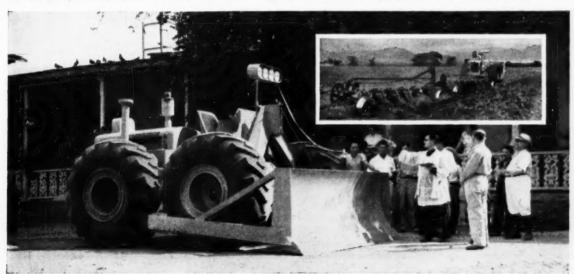
DIAMOND MINER — Near Kasai, Belgian Congo, 9 C Tournapulls and 5 Tournatractors are stripping 7,850,000 cu yds of overburden to uncover industrial diamond deposits. Push-loaded by a 186 hp Tournatractor, each Tournapull removes 6 to 71/2 loads (59 to 73 pay yds) of clayey sand hourly on a 1-mile cycle.



LOVELY VIEW — New 16-yd scraper for C Tournapull mounts control motors on bracket above yoke. Says Bob King, operator for Kiker & Yount of Reidsville, N C, "This new Carryall has everything beat. With the motors up out of the way, I can watch the pusher better. This Carryall spreads better, too. Dirt really rolls out."



40% LOWER COSTS — No, these rocks weren't "frozen" into the Tournarocker. High-speed photography makes them look like it, but actually dump took only 5 to 10 seconds on this W. Va. road job. Contractor C. E. Wetherall also reports his Tournarockers give 40% lower hauling costs than trucks. Output for his two 9-ton Tournarockers on typical 1400-ft cycles: 144 pay yds of shovel-loaded rock hourly.



DOUBLE BLESSING — In ceremony, traditional all over South America, padre blesses new Tournatractor. Hacienda Pata-Poo, Peru owner of the unit, has received a blessing, too. Their 19 mph Tournatractor, pulling 2 gang disks, deep-plows 2½ acres hourly—twice crawler output. Tournatractor also pulls

24-in. ripper for sub-soiling. This tool digs 20 in. deep into hard clay, brings up sub-surface water unobtainable with other methods. Explains Plantation Manager de Miguel, "The extra water makes our cane grow healthier, weigh more, and increases sugar content — thus producing more sugar and more profits."

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#### LeTourneau pictures of the month (cont'd.) . . .



336 HR JOB IN 12 HRS—When a last-minute telescope breakdown threatened success of the US Navy and National Geographic Society's Solar Eclipse expedition to Khartoum, the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan Government came to the rescue. Its versatile 15-ton Tournacrane carefully hoisted and positioned

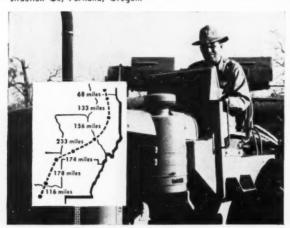
the delicate 2-ton dish-assembly. The job, which would have taken about 336 man-hrs if done by hand, took only 12 man-hrs with the Tournacrane. Instead of missing the Eclipse they had traveled 7000 miles to see, astronomers not only saw the entire event, but had plenty of time to test and re-adjust settings.



60 LOADS PER HR — At Chemult, Ore, Tournatractor-pusher and 3 self-propelled scrapers account for 60 loads of pumice hourly on 600-ft haul. Load time for over 16 loose yds varies from 25 to 45 seconds. With slower-moving crawler-pusher, output would be about \( \frac{1}{3} \] less. Contractor: R. A. Heintz Construction Co, Portland, Oregon.



PRECISION SPREADING — Constructing a highway overpass at the intersection of U.S. 16 and State 190 near Pewaukee, Wis, C Tournapull spreads load of sandy clay on narrow fill. "Rig is really maneuverable," says Warren Mallo, Job Supt for prime contractors, J. R. Griffith Co, of Racine. "They never have to be backed up to turn around."



1058 MI FOR \$60 — Meet the record-holder — Bill Kestner of Madison, Wis! To find warm-weather dirtmoving, Contractor Kastner made the longest solo highway trip of the year with a Tournapull, 1058 miles, Wisconsin-to-Texas. He started the journey at 2 pm Jan 3 at Madison. By 6 pm that day, he had arrived at Rockford, Ill . . . 68 mi in 4 hrs. The second day he ran into a blizzard and made only 133 mi to



Bloomington, III. His next stop, on Jan 5, was St. Louis, 156 mi further. On Jan 6 he drove 233 mi to Springfield, Mo . . . Jan 7, 174 mi to Pryor, Okla . . . Jan 8, 178 mi to Durant, Okla . At 1:30 pm Jan 9, Kashner arrived in Arlington, Tex. In 6 days, he had driven 1,058 mi (all by daylight) . . used 180 gals of fuel . . average, 5.9 mi per gal. Total expenditure for fuel, lodging and food: \$59.98. Saving over rail freight: \$450.

#### Performance reports on LeTourneau equipment



## 8 JOBS FOR JOHNS-MANVILLE—Even though the temperature often reaches 50° below zero, Canadian Johns-Manville works their Tournatractor 24 hrs a day, 6 days a week at their asbestos pit near Matheson, Ontario. One winter month, rig put 535 hrs in on 8 scattered jobs (other hrs went for job-to-job travel, lubrication, etc.). Of total time, unit spent 238

taining ore stockpile. Another 87 hrs went into tailings-dump maintenance. 62 hrs into waste-dump maintenance. Tournatractor worked 43 hrs towing compressors, wagon-drills, and other mine equipment. For 62 hrs, it plowed snow — in one typical 6½-hr period, traveling 30 mi and opening 26 mi of road. For 43 hrs, it did such odd jobs as clearing rock and clay overburden, and helping shovels up steep grades. Its mechanical efficiency: 95%.



#### GRADES FOR AIRCRAFT FACTORY-

Tournatractor, with 21/2-yd dozer, grades for construction of an aircraft parts factory near Monmouth County Airport, Allenwood, N.J. With down-pressure attachment on blade, rig makes smooth cut over uneven ground. Owner is E. I. Brown, Allenwood.



#### BRING ON THE DIRT \_

C Tournapulls belonging to J. Robert Bazley Inc, Pottsville, Pa, line up for start of a 4-lane bypass around Hummelstown, Pa. For further information on any of these machines, write R. G. LeTourneau, Inc, Peoria, Ill.



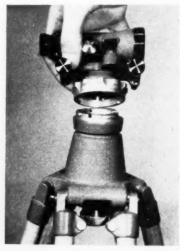
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## CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT NEWS



#### **Ejector Extensions Prevent Scraper Spillover**

Ejector extensions like the one shown here on a Cat No. 21 scraper are available on four other Cat scraper models as well—Nos. 15, 20, 70 and 80. Made of steel bars welded together and fastened to the ejector top, they're particularly valuable when working in most, sticky soils that peel up into slabs and spill over the ejector top. Reduced spillage lessens the chances of cable fouling. Ejector in no way hinders shovel loading.—Caterpillar Tractor Co., Peoria, Ill.



#### Level Has No Footscrews

On the Kern GK-1 level a balland-socket joint replaces footscrews and permits setup in a few seconds. Degree markings can be read directly to 1/10, estimated to 1/20.—Paul Reinhart Co., Inc., 66 Beaver St., New York, N. Y.



White Has Power Package Replacement for Cranes

Industrial engines in White's No. 100 series are available as replacement power units for shovels, cranes and other pieces of equipment. Here White's sales manager for industrial engines, M. W. Brooks, checks installation of a Model 130-IA in a No. 51 Link-

Belt Speeder owned by W. F. Biehl Inc., Berea, Ohio, while Mr. Biehl looks on. This model is rated at 65 hp at 1,400 rpm. Engines are available for shovels up to ¾-yd capacity, cranes to 20-ton ratings, air compressors, saw mills, etc.—White Motor Co, Cleveland, Ohio.





Torch Uses Air and Arc

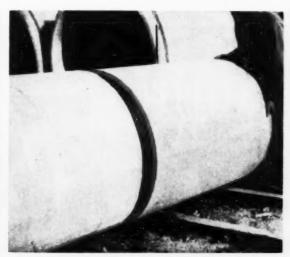
One lead from a welding machine and another from an air hose join in a concentric cable and are fitted to the Arcair torch for gouging all types of ferrous and non-ferrous alloys. Operating cost reported at \$1.50 to \$2 per hr.—Arcair Co., 2614 Burwell St., Bremerton, Wash.

#### On-the-Job Previews of Machinery, Tools and Equipment



Tylox Flexible-Rubber Gaskets Give Fast,

The workman here is snapping a Tylox Type A gasket over the tongue of a pipe section immediately after coating the tongue with Tylox cement. Then after making sure that the gasket and tongue edges are even, he moves on to the next section. Later he coats the groove of the adjacent section in the ditch and forces the two sections together for a tight seal and



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complete pack. Another gasket—Type B—is cast by manufacturers in "yarded" pipe or pipe in kilns, and is recommended in lines with head pressures up to 75 ft. With the A-type shown here, the manufacturer claims resiliency to compensate for angularity, contraction, expansion, soil stresses, resistance to acids, alkalis, oils.—Hamilton Kent Mfg. Co., Kent, Ohio.



Truck Body and Hoist Line Expanded

PicUPac Truck bodies and hoists have been available up to now only in ½-, ¾- and 1-ton sizes. The new line includes medium-duty sizes in 1½-, 2- and 2½-ton models, and the company is now planning for a future line of heavy-duty models. Two hoist styles are made; one with double arms for extra heavy work and another for direct lifts of average loads.—Converto Mfg. Co., Cambridge City, Ind.



Snow Plow Added to Tracto-Lift

The latest attachment to be added to the Tracto-Lift is a snow plow, available in V or angle types. The V type remains stationary, throwing snow to both sides and leaving a swath 60 in. wide. The angle attachment shown above is 84 in. long and can be adjusted to a variety of angles to pile snow on one or both sides, as desired. Combined with the Tractor-Lift fork-lift truck or one of the company's Power

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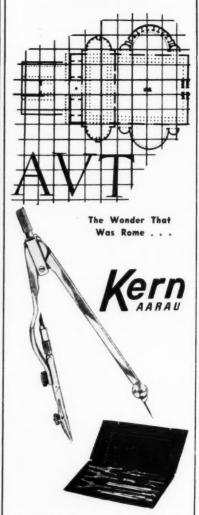
King series (CM&E, April '52, p 173), it's recommended for heavy pushing work. Features are ability to travel at tractor speeds, extra maneuverability, high under-clearance, climbing power.—Tracto-Lift Co., 800 E. 18th St., Kansas City, Mo.



#### PORTABLE HOISTING MACHINE

-There are several kinds of hoisting machines available for the construction industry, and they all do good work, but the Buck machine can be dismantled and moved to another location (or to another site) and be working there in a matter of minutes. This 2,000-lb capacity rig, equipped with a self-dumping 1/2-yd Buck concrete bucket and a twowheelbarrow platform, is performing almost all the materials-handling jobs on the Thomas J. Logan Chemistry Building at Xavier U. in Cincinnati. Contractor is the Dawson-Evans Construction Co. According to Walter Gaebel, job super, the machine hoisted and dumped concrete mix for the second floor faster than crews could take it away from the hopper. Maximum requirement was 15 yd per hr, and the machine easily delivered 20, he said. Here it's shown repeating the performance at the third-floor level. In this spot tower height is 60 ft. Brick contractor on the job is Cummings Bros. Co. of Covington, Ky. Charles Cummings, head of the company, states that the average "around town" cost for lowering and removing the Buck machine—and setting it up again—is "only from \$9 to \$10." It's set up in less than 25 min usually and is selferecting to 40 ft. Mechanism raises or lowers the tower sections in 2 min, 11 sec, according to the manufacturer. As the tower goes up, its wheels retract; as it lowers, they return to towing position. Its lift rate is 2,000 lb at 100 ft per min.— Buck Equipment Corp., Cincinnati 2, Ohio.

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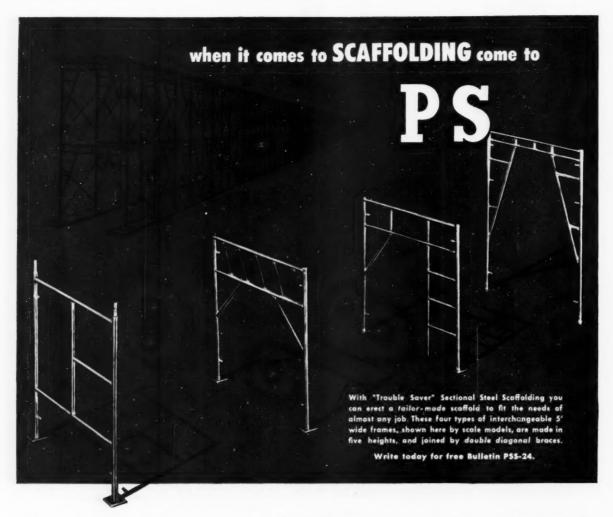
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AIR-CUSHIONED VIBRATOR-According to the manufacturer, people working near a Cleveland Air-Cushioned vibrator hardly know it is operating. All of the bothersome noise has been eliminated, and the unit is being used for many varied applications. The photo here shows one installed on an aggregate bin for loosening and insuring free flow of concrete block materials. Vibration speed and vibration intensity can be varied at will. Other uses in the construction field include installation on bins, hoppers, chutes, Pumpcrete tubes and on all kinds of concrete wall and floor forms.-Cleveland Vibrator Co., 2828 Clinton Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

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-Fiberglas vapor-seal duct insulation has been designed to prevent condensation on air conditioning ducts which carry cool air in warm, humid areas. This condensation, which forms on ducts, creates a serious problem in warm, humid areas, and the new type material is said to stop condensation by enclosing the duct in thermal insulation that has a built-in vapor barrier of asphalt and kraft paper. Insulation alone has not solved the problem since the vapor passes through it eventually, and damp insulation loses its thermal insulating value. In addition, condensation may damage the duct, its exterior finish and even the internal construction of the building. The company claims that the use of Fiberglas vapor-seal duct insulation helps lower costs because it is applied in a single operation. Material is furnished in 24x48-in. panels and in thicknesses of 3/4, 1, 11/2 and 2 in. Like Fiberglas itself, vapor-seal duct insulation may be cut easily and accurately to any shape. A 1-in. thickness of the material weighs only about 1/2 lb per sq ft. Owens-Corning engineers point out that if the insulation is used where it is exposed to weather or abuse, it must be protected by a covering of canvas and paint, sheet metal or roofing felt.-Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp., Toledo 1, Ohio

TRAILER FOR CONSTRUCTION MEN-New trailer coaches designed to provide a comfortable mobile home for construction workers have been announced. They are 31 ft long and available in two styles. They will sleep four or six persons. The length of both models is the same. The extra bedroom of the six-sleeper uses space gained by slightly shortening the living room and replacing the bathtub with a shower. A large living room table provides ideal work surface for blueprints and plans and, when not in use, table sections can be stored in a closet. The 12-ft living room is completely furnished with a long sofa, modern chairs,

plastic cone-shaped lights, venetian blinds, draperies, inlaid lineoleum floor, and a large wall mirror. Behind the living room is a compact U-shaped kitchen with an apartment-size gas range, double-bowl sink, work surfaces covered with Formica, and several overhead cupboards. Opposite the sink is a 6-cu ft refrigerator between two large closets, one for wardrobe and the other for brooms, etc. Two other wardrobes are accessible from the bedroom. An electric water heater is concealed beneath the sink. Both models have complete sanitary facilities.-Trotwood Trailers, Inc., Trot-

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#### KAYLO ROOF TILE RENAMED -

To most people the word tile portrays a vitreous product such as is used on floors, walls and ceilingsor a ceramic product for roof covering or sewer lines. This manufac-turer found that its insulating roof tile was being mistaken for such products, so has officially changed the product name to Kaylo Roof Deck. There is no change in the product itself, but the new name easily identifies it with its prime purpose, minimizing the possibility of misunderstanding as to its application .- Owens - Illinois Glass Co., Toledo 1, Ohio

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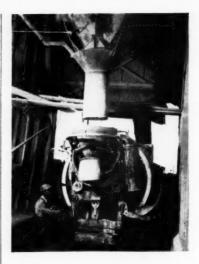
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RUBBER HOSE TO TRANSFER CONCRETE-A rubber hose developed to transfer concrete from batch bin to transit mixers is said to outlast the old canvas spout by a ratio of six months to one week. Although first cost is a good deal higher than a canvas tube, the advantage lies in extra long life. In addition, readymix companies report that the new hoses remain flexible throughout their life, whereas canvas absorbs concrete and stiffens up. The hose is also said to be easier to clean and remains free from clogging quency of spout change should drop considerably, keeping a free flow of expensive equipment running in and out of the mix plant. The new hose is made in various sizes ranging from 18 to 24 in. in diameter and in lengths from 18 to 36 in. It's made from natural rubber reinforced with two plies of special fabric.-U. S. Rubber Co., Mechanical Goods Div., Rockefeller Center, New York 20,

COMBINED FURNACE AND AIR CONDITIONER-Last month this manufacturer entered the mass market with a package called the Command-Aire twins-a home air conditioner and an oil- or gas-fired furnace. Up to now the company has restricted its air-conditioning business to custom-built installations. The two units, styled exactly alike, can be used independently or together. Thus a contractor (or home owner) can install the furnace when the house is built and add the air-conditioning unit at a later date. The units are compact enough to fit into 7 2/3 cu ft of space, or the area of a small closet. The company plans to turn out between 4,000 and 5,000 units of each type this year. Besides the contract builder, current owners of houses are potential buyers for the airconditioning unit to increase the value of an older home. The distributors, through their dealers, will offer to install twin units in a build-

er's model homes and homes for sale. If at the end of 90 days the builder hasn't sold the house with both units installed, the distributor will remove the air conditioner without charge. In this way the company is almost sure to sell the furnace as a starter and will inform the home buyer later of the ease of installing the air conditioner at a later date. Bryant Heater Div., Affiliated Gas Equipment, Inc., 17877 St. Clair, Cleveland, Ohio



SHIFTING LEVER - A completely new type of shifting mechanism is now standard equipment on the A and C Tournamatic Tournapulls and the Super C Tournadozer. Pictured above, it consists of a quadrant lever for selecting speeds in a logical sequence, both forward and reverse. Placed next to the operator's right leg, it's extremely easy to operate and permits him to wear gloves when shifting. Speeds are clearly indicated on an aluminum plate with forward speeds up front and reverse speeds in back. Tournaticker switches in the mechanism actuate solenoids to engage or disengage the various clutches in the Tournamatic transmission. Users claim that the device makes the breaking-in of a new operator a lot easier. A light pause is permitted between gear shifts, eliminating the frequency of shock loads. In addition, the possibility of getting into two or more gears at the same time is eliminated. -R. G. LeTourneau, Inc, Peoria, Ill.

HOT OIL HEATERS-After an exhaustive investigation into the heating needs of industry, this manufacturer has added to its extensive line of oil- and gas-burning equipment the Hopkins Hot Oil Heater. It's built to ASME boiler codes and can burn any grade of fuel oil or natural gas. Equipped with UL-approved controls, the units can produce 1, 2 or 3 million Btu's per hr. Among the features of the Hot Oil Heater is the freedom from freeze and rust worries that accompany ordinary steam systems. The units are shipped as a complete, tested package, ready for installation. -Hopkins Volcanic Specialties, Inc., Alliance, Ohio

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# \$7,000,000 was spent last year for materials and equipment by Corbetta Construction Co. of New York City. Listed high on the materials total were 105,000 cubic yards of concrete, 11,000 tons of reinforcing steel, and 2,800,000 board feet of lumber. Shown above is a precast concrete wall section being placed on one of the 1,000 James Forrestal Houses at Great Lakes, Ill. Many types of materials go into each job. Therefore, when economies can be effected in the field, material specifications are changed, with owner's permission, and other materials substituted. For this reason you can not always depend on the consultant's material specifications for your order; many purchase orders originate in the field.

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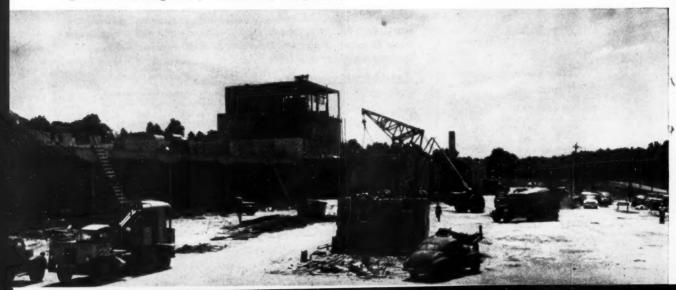
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1 concrete mixer, 1 portable electric generator and 1 table saw. Two buying characteristics on these long jobs: equipment is constantly wearing out, requiring frequent new purchases; materials specs in many instances stay open. For these reasons selling is a continuous job, requiring constant callers.





\$800,000 worth of construction equipment is owned by the Corbetta Equipment Co., wholly owned subsidiary of Corbetta Construction Co. The terrific strain on construction machinery in constant use keeps Corbetta's repair and maintenance crews busy on their 20 trucks, 9 cranes, 8 tractors, and other construction equipment. Repairs require spare parts: last year \$58,000 worth were purchased. Buying of big equipment is centralized, but men in the field have a big voice in the final purchase. Shown above under construction is Pier 57 for New York City. Built at Haverstraw, N. Y., it was later floated down the Hudson to the

pier site. You'll see in the background a concrete batching plant built especially for this job.

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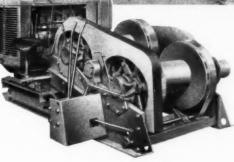


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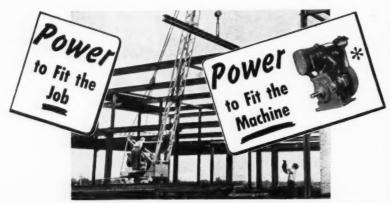
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SEALER PROVIDES PROTECTIVE COATING-Anyone who has tried to paint over asphalt, coal tar, mastic or Gilsonite coatings has undoubtedly experienced bleeding, staining, lifting, wrinkling or any combination of the four. Now, according to the manufacturers, a new sealer permits painting of these materials by providing a protective coating. It is Prufcoat Sealer P-25M, and it has proved its worth in several different applications. The interior structural steel in a midwest acid plant had been painted with a black, coal-tar paint. When renovation took place the owner decided on white paint to improve lighting conditions. After applying one coat of P-25M over the coal-tar paint and allowing the sealer to dry for an hour, workmen applied corrosion-resistant Prufcoat BX white enamel without any bleeding or staining. A major chemical producer has standardized on the use of Prufcoat painting in tank cars. Another manufacturer has used the sealer-enamel combination successfully in painting over black mastic insulating material on masonry walls. The company has an interesting booklet which describes the product completely-Technical Bulletin No. 023. Write to G. Russell Hersam, Prufcoat Laboratories, Inc., 50 E. 42nd St., New York 17, N. Y.

LONGER STEEL, COMING UP!—In drilling some 750,000 ft of blast holes in limestone, the contractor has relied largely on hard-hitting wagon drills to put down holes as deep as 24 ft—using detachable bits on rods of Bethlehem hollow drill steel.



ON THE FIRING LINE—(left to right) E. T. (Hap) Houlihan, Mgr., Contractors Service and Supply Co., Winchester, Ky. His firm supplies and reconditions the Bethlehem hollow drill steel. Next is Alex Manson, L & N Engineer in charge of the project; John Callaway, Project Sup't, Codell Construction Co.; Casey Jones, Drilling Foreman for Codell.

# Moving I million cu yd of rock for railroad yard at Nashville

The job of tearing up and moving 2½ million cu yd of material—about half of it rock—is nearing completion at Nashville, Tenn., where a modern and greatly enlarged freight yard is taking shape. It will serve the combined needs of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad and the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis Railway.

When completed, the Radnor yard will accommodate 6,576 cars—more than double the existing capacity. The project includes the most modern facilities for servicing locomotives and cars, fast communications systems, 90 miles of additional tracks and other improvements to speed the forwarding of cars.

Excavation and grading contracts are held by Codell Construction Co., Winchester, Ky., and Oman Construction Co., Nashville. Using detachable bits on rods of Bethlehem hollow drill steel, Codell has drilled about 750,000 ft of hole in medium-hard limestone. Grading and structures are slated for completion in April.

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MASONITE SIDING IN THREE WIDTHS-Masonite siding in 8-, 10and 12-ft lengths and in widths of 12, 16, or 24 in. is now being produced for lap siding, especially in the new ranch-type houses. Offered pre-cut and packaged for the first time, the material provides uniformity, smoothness, extra width and durability. The siding has proved to be resistant to all types of weather, is said to be tougher than oak, and has high impact and abrasion resistance. It is grainless, therefore won't split, splinter or crack. The Masonite siding comes in two thicknesses, ¼ and 5/16 in., and can be provided with a newly designed shadow strip. Like the other Masonite products, (the siding is made of Tempered Presdwood) it has high paintability.—Masonite Corp., 111 W. Washington St., Chicago 2, Ill.



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BLOCRETE—Blocrete is the name given to the method of applying vermiculite concrete through an air hose. The successful use of this air-placed lining for fireproofing a hotel elevator shaft was reported earlier this month by the manufacturer. As the plasterers worked their way up the 7-story shaft they applied a  $3\frac{1}{2}$ -in. coating over reinforcing. On the descent an additional  $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. coat was



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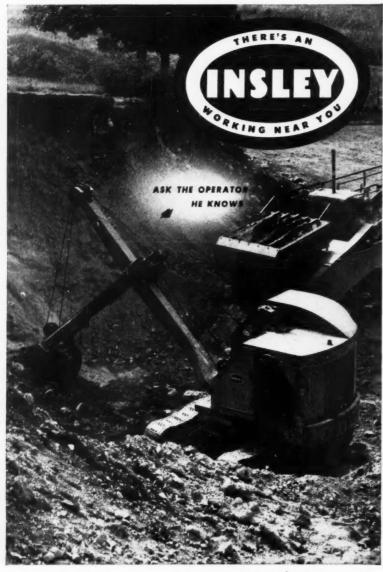
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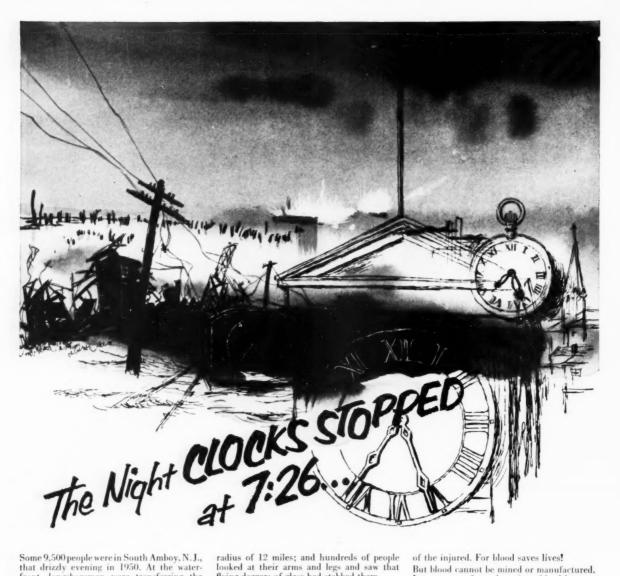
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A new 20-ft long, 20-cu yd package trailer dump has been put on the market by The Galion Allsteel Body Co., Galion, Ohio. Dumping is done by a Galion 77380 hoist, consisting of two 3-section telescopic units, rated at 22 tons. The unit is Heavy-Duty Model 12 and is available with power fifth wheel or hose operation. Several optional tire sizes and brakes can be had.

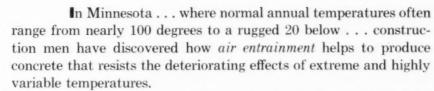
Dimetric graph sheets join the Instrumaster line of isometric and dimetric ellipse stencils to promote axonometric drawings. They come in pads of 50 sheets each and the lines, although light enough not to reproduce on blueprints or blackand-whites, can be readily traced. Sample sheets will be sent upon request on company stationery by John R. Cassell Co., Inc. 110 W. 42nd St., New York 36, N. Y.

A new line of Ball-Rite drills is available from representatives of Cummins-Chicago Corp., 4740 N. Ravenswood Ave., Chicago. They have been under test for six years, according to the company, and are said to be equal in performance and durability to industrial drills selling in a range one third higher.

Originally developed for the Navy by Universal Mfg. & Sales Co., 5211 Pacific Blvd., Huntington Park, Calif., a self-contained paint shop is now on the market. Set up on a 4-wheel trailer for towing behind a truck, it has a 35-cfm compressor driven by an 8-hp, air-cooled motor. Two 10-gal paint tanks are standard, but may be replaced by 20- or 30gal tanks. Air and fluid are carried through 100-ft hoses wound over reels.

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Safe-I-Weld is the name given a new welding helmet made from glass fibers by U. S. Safety Service Co., 1215 McGee St., Kansas City, Mo. It's highly resilient and will not split, crack or deform. It has a patented hinge which locks the helmet in raised or working position and is adjustable to any head size.

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A 48-in. Aluminedge mason's wood level is announced by The Columbian Vise & Mfg. Co., 9023 Bessemer Ave., Cleveland 4, Ohio. It's completely enclosed with aluminum on all edges. Vials are enclosed in new type plastic rings for maximum light reflection and less chance of breakage. The company's Form CS-648-AB describes it in full. Contractors and dealers working with insulation often end up a job needing just a few more feet. Anticipating this, Infra Insulation, Inc., of New York City now packs 100-sq ft cartons as well as the usual 1,000-, 500-, or 250ft units. Cost of installation in new construction between wood beams or studs is claimed to be less than 10c per sq ft for material and

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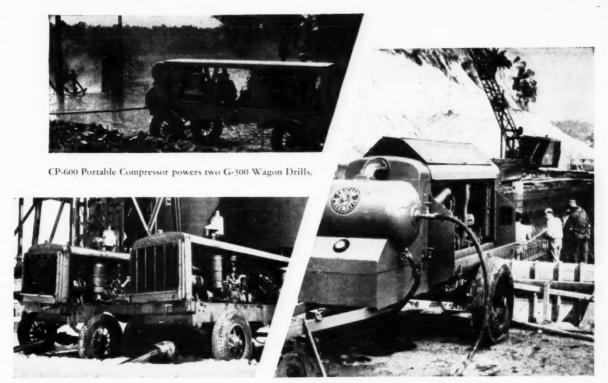
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EARTHMOVING—The articles written by E. O. Martinson, Chief Engineer, Koehring Co., covering crane and shovel operations only, and appearing in this magazine as part of the series, "Earthmoving—An Art and a Science", have been reprinted by the Koehring Co. Reprints may be obtained by writing the Koehring Co., 3026 W. Concordia Ave., Milwaukee 16, Wis., or The Power Crane and Shovel Assn., 74 Trinity Pl., New York 6, N. Y.

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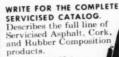


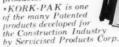
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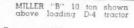
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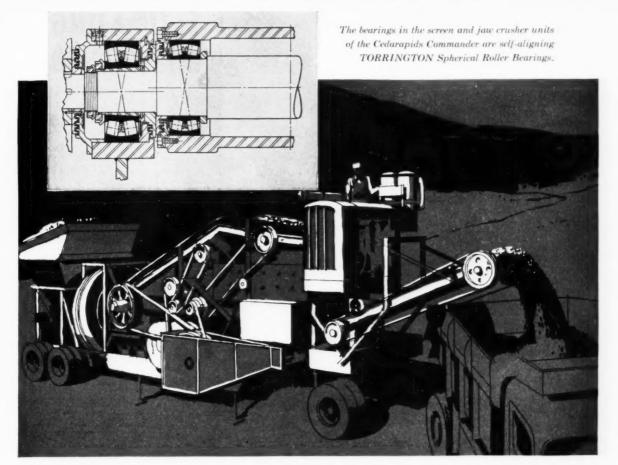
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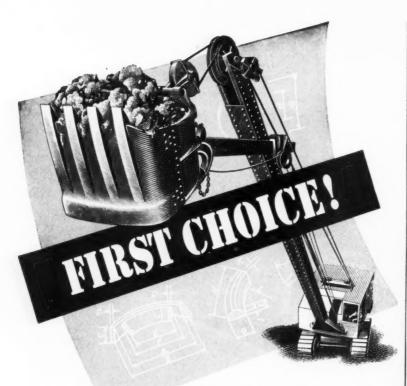
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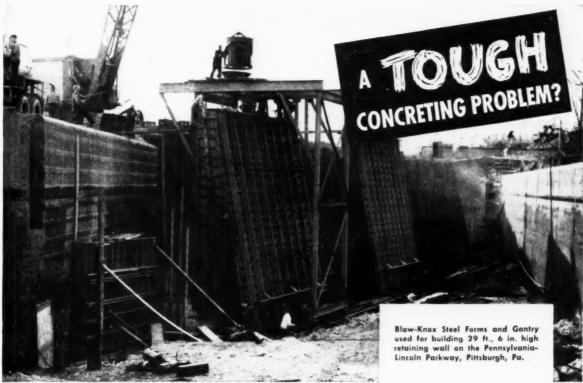
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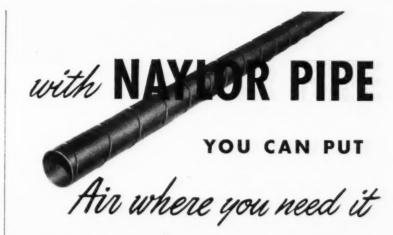




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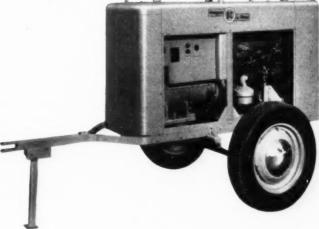
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A GROUP of highway contractors—in a state that shall remain nameless—became seriously concerned upon learning that their state highway program is threatened by lack of engineers in the highway department. So they cooked up a recruiting spree recently by asking 24

outstanding senior engineering students from various colleges to come down to the state capital at the contractor's expense for a series of interviews with top state highway officials.

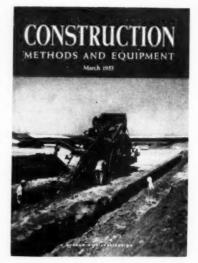
Everything was lovely, the boys were entertained royally, they learned all about the noble profession of highway engineering, and they were deeply impressed by the efforts of the contractors to help them launch a career. Results? Nary a recruit for the highway department, for you see everyone of those boys came away from the conference with an attractive bid from one or more of the contractors that topped anything the poor state could offer.

contractors welcome the new administration's decision for a review of the federal budget relating to construction. Speaking for his executive committee, Arthur S. Horner, president of the Associated General Contractors of America, said. "We believe that it is sound procedure to examine all public works — and other federal — expenditures, and proceed only with projects which are clearly essential, and to employ on them the strictest standards of economy. This will give further assurance to the public that funds for construction are expended economically.

"We have confidence that sound engineering judgment will be exercised in the review of going and proposed projects, and that the review will be completed promptly so that there will be no delays in executing needed projects and so that advantage can be taken of the full 1953 construction season."

A UNIFORM CONTRACT for municipal engineered construction projects (excluding building construction) is recommended by a joint committee of the American Public Works Association and the Associated General Contractors of America.

The committee also recommends that contractors on municipal jobs be permitted to furnish materials and equipment, that construction should be accomplished under competitive bids, that cost records be kept open to public inspection, that projects and inspection should be under the supervision of a registered professional engineer, and that engineers administering municipal construction be paid salaries matching those paid by private industry for similar work.



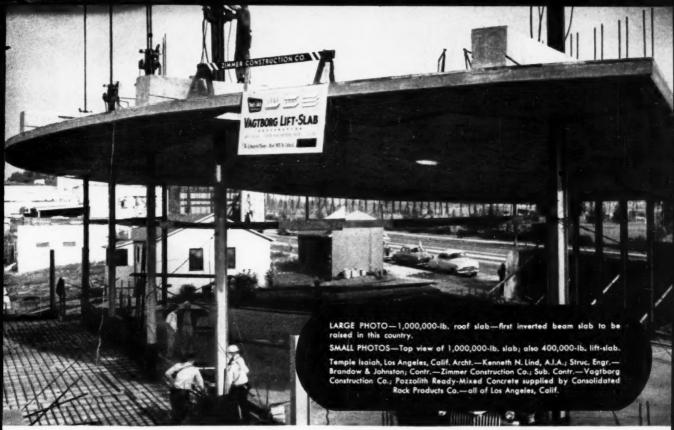
#### On the Cover...

Construction on Newark (N. J.) Airport's new 7,000-ft instrument runway really began buzzing a year ago when public indignation over several airplane crashes in the area caused the field to be shut down. Union Building & Construction Corp., of Passaic, handled grading, drainage and paving with big-production machines. Here Union's Parsons Model 250 Trenchliner is digging utility trenches to service the field. On this job last summer the Trenchliner dug almost 20 mi of trenches at widths of 24 and 36 in. and varying in depth from 21/2 to 12 ft. Most of the trench was for a completely new electrical system for the airport, but some of it was put down to receive a 24-in. concrete pipe storm sewer.

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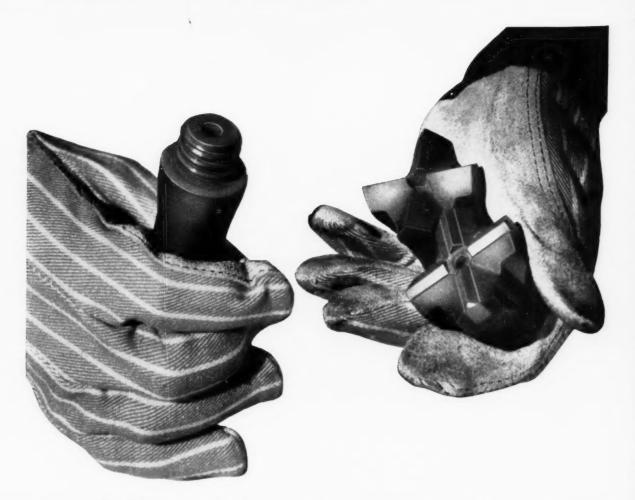




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